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Harold Generier chared a suit. But Strote lessified har lace called hun three white his death and asked that he had a short that he had a short that he had a short that he had be the had kis of Massachusetts in November. The vice president himself said in Philadelphia on Tuesday night that he considered a Bush-Dukakis his deam and asked that he updated and that he he manager Seymour Heart placed as executor by he Strote said the enteriment he manager has more than the more th contest "a very good bet," and Lynn Cutter, a deputy chairwoman of the Democratic National Com-mittee, added that "I think that we have a nominee,"

It was not only Mr. Dukakis's victory in the New York primary

Tuesday but also the size and shape the black vote in Detroit so thorof it that convinced professionals oughly that he dominated that that he is the probable Democratic state's caucus process. presidential nominee.

Having won more than half the total vote in a three-way race, Mr.

#### **NEWS ANALYSIS**

Dukakis is in a position to persuade many skeptics of his appeal in the big states that are so crucial to Democratic success.

Although the victory Tuesday was his first in a major Northern industrial state, it came in one where the candidates had competed on more or less equal terms. Previously Senator Paul Simon of Illinois had won on his home turt, and the Reverend Jesse L. Jackson had taken Michigan by mobilizing



George Widsum/The Am Michael S. Dukakis salutes New Yorkers on Wednesday.

# Kiosk

# Czechs to Name A New Cabinet

PRAGUE (AFP) - Prime Minister Lubomir Strongal presented his government's resignation on Wednesday to ve the way for a cabinet reshuffle, official sources said.

On Tuesday, the parliament voted to restructure part of the government, including stream-lining the ministries that deal with the economy. Mr. Strougal is expected to announce a new government Thursday.

## General News

John C. Shepherd withdrew from consideration to be deputy to Attorney General Edwin Meese 3d. Page 3. The U.S. Senate, seeking clarification, is delaying a vote on Page 3. the missile treaty. In Vietnam, narcotics addiction is on the rise. Page 4. The United States has accused Mozambique rebels of waging a war of terror.



Senator Sam Num is one of three Democratic leaders drafting an overhand of U.S. war powers legislation passed in 1973. Page 2.

## Business/Finance

U.S. consumer prices rose 0.5 percent in March, the biggest gain in 14 months. Page 17. Pengeot, the French automaker, said its profit nearly dou-bled in 1987. Page 19.

## Sports

The Baltimore Orioles tied baseball's major league record for losses - 13 - at the start Page 23. of a season.

Special Report Taiwan is initiating major changes in its relations with Pages 11-16.

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# **Jackson Says** He Will Stay

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

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state primary the day before.

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# In Primaries

Mr. Dukakis and Mr. Jackson called for a positive campaign that would avoid the divisiveness exhibited in New York and unify the

ed front-runner in what is seen as a disrupt Democratic harmony or two-man race for the Democratic stage a walkout at the national con-

NEW YORK - The Reverend Jesse L. Jackson vowed Wednesday to stay in the Democratic presidential race through the final round of primary elections in June, but he plan to spend as much as \$2 million congratulated Governor Michael S. on television in California, and Dukakis of Massachusetts for his there is no suggestion that the Chistrong victory in the New York cago clergyman will even consider

presidential nomination, remained vention as long as the party's lead-

#### criticized it as bland or boring —he has kept the goodwill of many of the supporters of rival candidates. A New York Times-CBS News survey of voters leaving the polls Tuesday showed, for example, that Mr.

Dukakis was the second choice of two-thirds of Gore partisans. Barring some startling disclosure or other development adversely af-fecting Mr. Dukakis, political anaysts see no reason to presume that Mr. Jackson should do better in Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana than he did in New York. Mr. Dukakis is expected to benefit not only from a head-to-head contest but also from the fact that those three states are generally more con-servative than New York.

in the race, if at all.

field should help Mr. Dukakis.

The outlook for Mr. Jackson is believed to be somewhat better in California, where Willie Brown, the speaker of the State Assembly, is the leader of his campaign. But he would be sorely handicapped there if he had to launch his campaign from a base of four straight losses

in major states. an early pullout. He will continue

But the consensus within the Mr. Dukakis, now the undisput- party is that Mr. Jackson will not

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#### All Hostages On Kuwaiti Jet Mr. Dukakis did best in the smaller cities upstate and in the suburbs, least well in New York City. That is bad news for Mr. Jackson, the governor's main rival. He did well in New York City, though he narrowly lost it; but in the tests that lie immediately ahead — in Pennsylvania next Tuesday, and in Ohio and Indiana a week after that - the Democratic electorate will bear a strong resem-blance to that of upstate New York and the suburbs and very little to The next three contests and the final pair of primaries, in Califor-nia and New Jersey on June 7, are likely to be entered by only two candidates: Mr. Dukakis and Mr. Jackson, Senator Albert Gore Jr. of Tennessee turned in another disappointing performance in New York, failing once again to live up to the potential he suggested by his showing in the South on "Super Tuesday," March 8. Now he is unlikely to continue as a major factor The further winnowing of the In general, Mr. Dukakis's share of the vote has tended to increase as the number of candidates has decreased; by running a somewhat soft campaign — a campaign so careful, indeed, that some have

Their 15-day ordeal over, freed passengers leave the plane on Wednesday.

tering its 16th day. ALGIERS - The two-week hi-

The passengers and crew members spent a longer period as captives on a hijacked plane than in any previous hijacking. They spent more than 15 days — 362 hours Boeing 747 by Algerian negotiators and the 31 remaining hostages were and 30 minutes — on the jetliner as prisoners of nine Arabic-speaking gunmen who seized it on a flight

Kuwait reported that the hijackers, who killed two passengers during the 15-day ordeal, surrendered to the Algerian authorities in return The hijackers released a total of for a promise of safe conduct to either Iran or Lebanon. Officials in Algiers said later that the hijackers had left the country, but other official sources said the hijackers would remain in Algeria for a few days while deciding where they April 13.

would go. The Kuwait News Agency re-ported that no deal other than safe passage was struck with the hijackers, who had demanded the release of 17 extremists imprisoned in Kuwait for bombings there in 1983.

jacking of a Kuwait Airways jet

ended at dawn Wednesday when

nine hijackers were taken off the

The Kuwaiti government thanked Algeria for its help in re-leasing the passengers and con-demned what it called the "coward-roses and jasmine." ly" hijacking as part of a plot to distract the Arab world from its

Twenty-four passengers, led by two women wrapped in blankets, plus the airline crew of seven left

jackers and was commenting on

He said he was not "second-

guessing the Algerians," who ne-

But the secretary said, "From the standpoint of the international

community you don't like to see

hijackers and murderers go free."

otiated an end to the hijacking.

the basis of sketchy reports.

from Bangkok to Kuwait on April

71 hostages during stops in Meshed, Iran, and Larnaca, Cyprus. In Cyprus, the hijackers shot and killed two hostages before being given fuel to fly to Algeria. The jumbo jet arrived in Algiers on Kuwaitis hailed the end of the

hijacking as a victory for their government's stand against terrorism. Many Kuwaitis called radio stations to congratulate their government. "This is a happy moment for the nation." a radio announcer de-clared. "We congratulate ourselves,

"We're all just over the moon." said Nora Youssef, daughter of the 747's pilot, Subhi Naim Youssef. "I just can't say how happy we are. As soon as he comes home, we'll cele-(AP, Reuters, UP1)

#### ■ End of the Ordeal Paul Delaney of The New York

Times reported from Algiers: The passengers steeped from the cabin just after 6 A.M., some smiling and waving. A few had wrapped themselves in airline blan-

Meeting the press in a small building adjacent to the main airport terminal, the passengers told of strict silence imposed by the hi-jackers, threats, steadily worsening conditions, hot and sweaty days and cold nights, and increasingly foul smells in the cabin.

Algerian and Kuwaiti officials,

who conducted delicate and tense

negotiations with the gunmen for a

week, would not say what agree-

ment was made to end the hijack-

ing. But some officials indicated that the bijackers, who were taken

off the plane through a rear door, will be held by Algeria until they

decide where they eventually want

to go.
The officials also said the Algeri-

Mr. Shultz did not respond di-One passenger said his worst morectly to a question about whethment was when one of the hijackers threatened him, thinking he was a Kuwaiti security man. "He came at er the United States should take steps to gain extradition of the me with a gun, with a cold-blooded look," the passenger said, "Have you ever seen a shark in the water? The same eyes, no expression, and

Some reports said that at least one of the hijackers in Algiers was also involved in the 1985 hriackvery steady, a very steady hand." U.S. navy diver was killed in Beithe passengers were taken to a milirut. The United States does not tary hospital for checkups and de-

#### See ENFORCE, Page 2 Since then, the agreement has Mr. Shultz said that he did not

hijackers.

# Dukakis finally win, will try to influence the party platform and perhaps some other matters. But the appropriate point of the some other matters. But the appropriate point is the some other matters.

country concerned."

Algiers at Odds With Air Piracy Pact

Paul Sheppard, security direc-tor of the International Civil Avi-

ation Organization in Montreal.

acknowledged that the conven-

tion, despite its strong wording,

"The world community does

not like sanctions," he said.

"Most countries either don't

want them or don't think they

In 1978, the seven largest in-

dustrialized democracies took the

Hague Convention a stage fur-

ther at a summit meeting in Bonn

by pledging to cut transportation

links with countries that failed to

extradite or punish hijackers. The

summit nations were Canada,

West Germany and the United

Britain, France, Hai

States.

By Philip Taubman New York Times Service

By Barry James

International Herald Tribune PARIS — In granting safe pas-

sage to the hijackers of the Ku-wait Airways jumbo jet who mur-dered two of their hostages,

Algeria is repudiating an ineffec-

tive agreement by 130 other na-

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ers, let us not forget that," the U.S. secretary of state, George P.

Shultz, said in Helsinki on

Wednesday, "We do not like to

see hijackers and murderers go

Algeria is one of the few coun-

tries not to have signed the 1970

Hague Convention, which en-

gages signatories either to bring air pirates to justice or to extra-

dite them. It has given no reason.

These people were not only

MOSCOW - The Communist Party's No. 2 official, Yegor K. Ligachev, has curtailed his activities since a recently reported clash with Mikhail S. Gorbachev, the Soviet leader, and he may have lost part of his portfolio, Soviet officials said Wednesday.

Adding credence to recent un-

confirmed reports that the two men clashed over the direction of change in the Soviet Union, the officials said Mr. Ligachev had at least temporarily relinquished his role as a key supervisor of the Soviet press and television.

The change was confirmed by two Moscow editors who said Mr. Gorbachev seems to have won con-shielded and hard information Ligachev was no longer overseeing their work.

ander N. Yakoviev, Mr. Gorba- filtered down the line.

Mr. Ligachev has served for the control over the top echelon of the last three years as the party's senior party, and may help him mobilize a Leningrad chemistry teacher, aparbiter of ideological issues and support for his programs at lower peared March 13, a day before Mr. one of two top officials supervising levels. But it does not mean imme- Gorbachev was due to leave for a an authorities were more conpropaganda activities, which in- diate relief from the inertia and visit to Yugoslavia and Mr. Yakov- cerned with saving the lives of the clude the press and television. He resistance he faces. lev has shared the latter duty with Mr. The two leaders have often partilia. Yakovley, who has also moved ed company in recent years in their

The mix of new information and approach to change than Mr. Gorrumor has added to widely believed bachev.

vincingly, comes at a time of in- about last month's events is scarce. creasing resistance to his programs There were also reports Wednes- in the government bureaucracy and by publication of a newspaper artiday that Mr. Ligachev had been local party organizations around cle in mid-March defending Staordered by the Politburo to take a the country. Many of his efforts to lin's leadership and sharply criticizvacation and that in his absence his revive the stagnant economy have ing Mr. Gorbachev's policies as too

in 1981, when Britain, France and

West Germany cut air links with

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The 1978 declaration said: "In

cases where a country refuses the extradition or prosecution of those who have hijacked an air-

craft and/or does not return such

aircraft, the heads of state and

government are resolved that

their governments shall take im-

mediate action to cease all flights

to that country. At the same time,

their governments will initiate ac-

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from that country, or from an

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Afghanistan after it gave sanctu-ary to hijackers who killed a dip-

Pakistani aircraft.

slowly but steadily to take a more public appearances, with Mr. Liga-active role in ideological matters. public appearances, with Mr. Liga-active role in ideological matters.

reports of a major, possibly deci-sive, confrontation between Mr. have received more open coverage Gorbachev and Mr. Ligachev last under Mr. Gorbachev, the inner workings and deliberations of the The reported clash, which Mr. party leadership remain carefully

The clash was reportedly ignited position was being filled by Alex- been diluted and distorted as they liberal. Mr. Ligachev is said to have endorsed and helped place the arti-

chev's closest ally in the leadership. The apparent rebuff of Mr. Ligacle in the newspaper Sovietskaya These reports were not confirmed. chev strengthens Mr. Gorbachev's Rossiya. The article, ostensibly written by

lev was scheduled to fly to Mongo-

main daily, denounced the Sovietskaya Rossiya article in a full-page editorial, calling it "an attempt at revising party decisions on the sly. While other areas of Soviet life The conflict between the papers suggested severe disagreements within the party leadership.

Mr. Gorbachev, according to unconfirmed reports, convened a special meeting of the Politburo to consider the Sovietskaya Rossiya article shortly after returning from Yugoslavia on March 18. Apparently meeting in Mr. Ligachev's absence — he was traveling outside Moscow — the Politburo reported-

See SOVIET, Page 2

### See HIJACK, Page 2 On April 5, Pravda, the party's **Wazir Death** Fails to Unite

By Jonathan C. Randal Washington Past Service
DAMASCUS — Amid chaotic

Arafat, Assad

scenes of scuffling and emotion, Khalil al-Wazir, the assassinated second in command of the Palestine Liberation Organization, was buried on Wednesday alongside hundreds of Palestinians who have died in their struggle for a homeland. But intensive diplomatic efforts

failed to make Abu Jihad, as Mr. Wazir was better known, as immediately useful in death as he had been in masterminding activities inside the Israel-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. Despite repeated assertions from

Palestinians even as the funeral was taking place that Yasser Arafat would use the occasion to fly to Damascus and end his bitter five-2l-Assad of Syria, the PLO leader remained abroad in Libya. High-ranking Palesunians said

the real obstacle preventing a meeting between two of the Arab world's most willful adversaries was Mr. Arafat's refusal to break off all relations with Egypt once and for all as Mr. Assad demanded. The Syrian leader unceremoni-

ously bundled Mr. Arafat aboard a Tunis-bound airliner in June 1983 and subsequently backed Palestinian dissidents who forced the mainstream PLO out of Lebanon later that year.

Hanni al-Hassan, one of Mr. Arafat's closest political advisers, Cemetery would have been a "po-

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# U.S. Colleges Get So Picky Top Students Fail to Gain Entry

By Deirdre Carmody New York Times Service

NEW YORK - in the past, only the weakest American students were rejected by all the colleges to which they applied. But this year, many students near the top of their class have been devastated to learn that they have not been accepted anywhere, U.S. college

guidance counselors say.

This year the big news among the guidance counsclors is that safeties are no longer safeties," said Thomas Anthony, dean of admission at Colgate University in Hamilton, New York, using the jargon for

the least selective college on a student list.

Many guidance counselors are finding themselves dealing with tearful students and fending off calls from outraged parents eager to blame bad advice. That may be the reason in some cases. But in the

week after most colleges sent out notification letters, interviews with college guidance officials, educational consultants and college admissions officers indicate that this has been a year of utter turmoil, even worse than last year, which was considered horrendous. What the experts find astonishing is that for two

straight years college applications have increased when colleges expected a drop because of the decline in the number of 18-year-olds. Admissions officers still do not quite know what happened. Accounts of experiences abound. Take these, for

A student in the top 10 percent of his class at a good Maryland high school had all A's and B's, was active in sports and had a combined Scholastic Aptitude Test

score of 1360 out of a possible 1600, placing him in the top ranks of students nationally. He was rejected by all four of the schools to which he applied: Duke University, the University of Michigan, Tufts University and lege Board, which administers the Schools are applying to college. The College Board, which administers the Schools are to be school again to the school again.

class at New Trier High School in Winnetka, Illinois, one of the most academically rigorous public schools in the country. His combined score on the SAT—the years ago about the decline in 18-year-olds, have

Dartmonth College.

Another student was ranked in the top fifth of his

Another student was ranked in the top fifth of his

SATs in 1987, an 8 percent increase over the previous recommendations is playing a greater role."

# Counselors are finding themselves dealing with

standard college entry examination — was over 1300 increased their marketing efforts and recruited in school counselors worry that colleges are turning and his additional achievement tests averaged over areas where they were relatively unknown. This has 600. In addition, he was a good swimmer and involved brought in more applicants, enabled colleges to be in several student activities. The student applied to more geographically diverse and generally hurt stutwo Ivy League colleges, two selective smaller Eastern dents from the East, the usual majority in the selective colleges and to the University of Michigan. He was college applicant pool.

tearful students and calls from outraged parents.

turned down by all. under 1200. He applied to eight selective colleges. B students to less rigorous colleges and so on down the including Harvard, Princeton and Wesleyan Universi- line ty. He was rejected by all.

While it is too early to tell exactly what is happening on waiting lists.

• The increase in applications has enabled selective Another, this one at a top New England prep colleges to become even more selective. Colleges that school, had won the school's public speaking contest, were normally considered good places for B students played lacrosse and had a combined SAT score of just took in many more B-plus students this year, bumping

• An increasing number of students are being put

this year or why, these are some of the impressions of those involved in college admissions:

• More students are applying to college. The College Board, which adminished the Scholastic Aptitude the last five years. "Colleges are forced to make finer Test, reports that 1,080,426 high school seniors took and finer decisions. Subjective material like teacher

The effect of this is that college advisers, who over the years have developed a list of campuses that meet year quarrel with President Hafez certain needs for different kinds of students, no longer know where to point their students.

Another factor is that colleges worry about their own image. To be included in the ranks of the most selective institutions in the college guide books, colleges want high numbers — median SAT scores, number of students who were in the top 10 percent of their class, high school grade-point averages. Many high down qualified, well-rounded students for those with better numbers.

What no one knows is why so many more students are applying to college. But what is obvious is that greater numbers of parents and students are willing to sacrifice almost anything to make a college education

Similarly, the perception is that the more selective said that for Mr. Arafat to have the college, the more it will pave the way to a better life attended the funeral at Martyrs' perhaps accounting for the dramatic increase in applications over the last few years to the 50 to 100 litical event and that Syria's inviinstitutions generally considered to be most academically rigorous and prestigious in the country.

# **Kuwait Reports Missile Attack by Iran**

fired a missile into Kuwait before dawn Wednesday, the Kuwaiti Defense Ministry reported.

Iran also called on all volunteer

forces to report for duty and said it launching Soviet-made missiles at the desert area of Wafra, near an oil had launched a new thrust into Iranian cities as of midnight field operated by the U.S.-based

northeastern Iraq. The official Iranian news agency, IRNA, monitored in Nicosia, said

more than 250 in the Shemiran where it exploded or whether it Radio that "the government of Kumountain region of Kurdistan." where it exploded or whether it responsible for all the conse-MANAMA, Bahrain — Iran mountain region of Kurdistan. Baghdad said Iraq would stop ate word from Iran on the offer.
The Kuwaiti Defense Ministry

that Iranian forces had killed or said the "Scud-type" missile hit at Akbar Velayati, said in a message wounded 300 Iraqis and captured 3:15 A.M. but gave no details of reported Wednesday on Tehran

Iran, meanwhile, offered a cease- Soud is a Soviet-designed surfacefire in its missile exchanges with to-surface missile with a range of Iran. A military spokesman in about 300 kilometers (180 miles). An official said the missile fell in

Wednesday. There was no immedi- Getty Oil Co. Wafra is on Kuwait's border with Saudi Arabia. The Iranian foreign minister, Ali

cused Kuwait of allowing U.S. and Iraqi forces to use Bubiyan island during a major Iraqi offensive to recapture the Faw Peninsula, which Iran had held since February

> In the battle Monday, U.S. forces destroyed two Iranian oil platforms in the Gulf in response to what Washington said was Iran's mining of Gulf shipping lanes and the holing of a U.S. frigate. In an ensuing naval battle, the U.S. sank an Iranian patrol boat, crippled the frigate and sank or democrat two frigates and sank or damaged three armed speedboats. Iran re-ported at least 44 casualties.

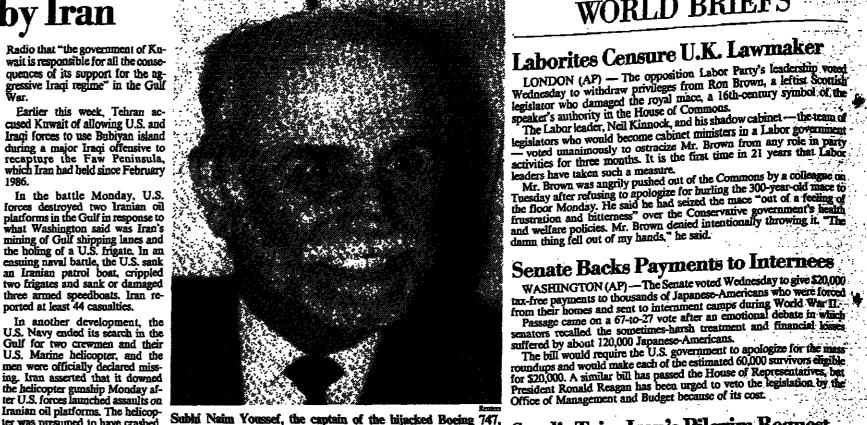
Earlier this week, Tehran ac-

In another development, the U.S. Navy ended its search in the Gulf for two crewmen and their U.S. Marine helicopter, and the men were officially declared missing. Iran asserted that it downed the helicopter gunship Monday after U.S. forces launched assaults on Iranian oil platforms. The helicopter was presumed to have crashed Pentagon officials said.

Separately, thousands of Iranians, responding to appeals by their leaders, signed up in Tehran on Wednesday for the war against Iraq. The mobilization went into top gear as Iranian newspapers warned the United States of swift retribution for the clashes in the

Shipping sources, meanwhile, said Gulf commercial shipping resumed cautiously on Wednesday.

Lloyd's of London, meanwhile, doubled its war-risk rates Wednesday on ships traveling to the Gulf, a



Subhi Naim Youssel, the captain of the hijacked Boeing 747, discusses the experience after his release Wednesday in Algiers.

# ENFORCE: Dispute on Accord

(Continued from Page 1) have an extradition treaty with Al-

The heads of foreign ministry political departments of the 12 Eu- of the hostages. ropean Community nations reportedly discussed the latest hijacking during a regular meeting in Bonn on Wednesday. The EC as a whole is not bound by the 1968 seven-

Diplomatic sources said the EC was likely to make its position known later this week after govern-ments have had an opportunity to examine the evidence in the Algeria

"I fear some of the terms will cause us very grave concern if they're as we think them to be, notably the fact that the hijackers appear to have been allowed to go free," said David Mellor, a British Foreign Office official in London. He said that as long as hijackers

The Algerian interior minister, El-Hadi Khederi, declined to give details of any concessions made to the hijackers to obtain the release

David Kyd, a spokesman for the International Air Transport Association in Geneva, said that for the hijackers to go free "sets an example which is extremely troubling for us," particularly in view of a statement by the gummen that they had not dropped their demand for the release of 17 terrorists in Kuwaiti

"If they are allowed to leave, it will give Algeria the status of a potential sanctuary," he said. "And the one thing we are absolutely adamant about in the airline world is that no such sanctuary should

He added: "We have worked very hard with several countries to make sure that there is no point on the man where terrorists will head. scathed." hijackings will continue. and where they consider they will be received as heroes rather than as criminals and murders and all the other things that we consider them

Mr. Kyd said Kuwait had behaved "impeccably" by refusing to bow to the hijackers' demands, but he said his organization was "dis-appointed" that Cyprus had allowed the jet to leave after two passengers were murdered at the Lamaca airport.

He said the fact Algeria had not signed the Hague Convention might have been one of the factors in the hijackers' decision to fly there, possibly calculating that they were unlikely to be brought to jus-

# **FUNERAL:**

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tation for all Palestinians to return for the occasion, including those blacklisted, "was not a political in-

Wazir Is Buried

Nonetheless, he and other Palestinians have appeared genuinely pleased that the long hamstrung process of reconciliation with Syria might be seriously under way.

Some predicted it might be far enough advanced by the end of the present three-day mourning period to allow a date to be fixed for a meeting between Mr. Arafat and

Mr. Assad. They pointed to the unusually generous and uncensored coverage funeral, which was allowed to proceed with an official forbearance

rarely countenanced in Syria.

Such was the crush in providing the nearest thing to a state funeral for a man without a state that the Palestinian flag on the coffin was torn. Syrian troops occasionally weighed into the crowd waving riot sticks but striking only with their leather thongs to keep a semblance

Inside the cemetery, tens of thousands of Palestinians surged zation said in a handwritten state-ment delivered shortly after mid-identified sources as saying that back and forth among the raised two Arab businessmen, Omran Ad-tombs, almost breaking down the gates and trampling bystanders as many more thousands remained

Saudis Trim Iran's Pilgrim Request

RIYADH (Renters) — Saudi Arabia rejected Iran's demand to send 150,000 pilgrims on the annual haji, the Moslem pilgrimage to Mecca, and said it could accept only 45,000. The kingdom also reiterated its ban on demonstrations, the official Saudi Press Agency said Wednesday.

The agency quoted an official source as saying the Saudi Arabian pilgrimage affairs and endowments minister, Sheikh Abdul-Wahab Abdul-Wasie, told Iran: "The kingdom will welcome 45,000 Iranian pilgrims this year, similar to other Islamic countries, with no exception."

More than 400 pilgrims, most of them Iranians, were killed during clashes between Saudi security forces and demonstrators during the han last year.

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Center to Accept Vietnam Refugees BANGKOK (NYT) - A new holding center for recent Vietnam

arrivals will be set up under an agreement signed Wednesday by the UN.
High Commissioner for Refugees and the Thai government. It will receive those who have come ashore since January, when Thailand legisterying Vietnamese an automatic right of asylum.

The new camp, which Thai officials say is being planned to house up to the United Nations along the Cambodian frontier. The INNECS wall have access to the Vietnamese.

frontier. The UNHCR will have access to the Vietnamese and accommod to play its protective role," said Kobsak Chutikul, a Third Foreign Ministry official, on Wednesday. "But for the time being the Vietnamese will not be eligible for resettlement."

He rejected accusations that there had been large numbers of deaths among new Vietnamese arrivals in Thailand because of a "pushbak." policy. Three weeks ago, Vietnamese-Americans staged protests against. Thailand in several U.S. cities, charging Thailand with violence against

Pretoria Broadcasting Chief Resigns

JOHANNESBURG (WP) — The head of the South African broad-

casting company, who clashed with President Pieter W. Botha in August over a news broadcast, was forced to resign Wednesday after weeks of infighting over the ostensible independence of the radio and television network's board of directors.

The resignation of Riaan Eksteen as director-general, coupled with reports that one of Mr. Botha's closest personal aides would take over the top broadcasting job, underscored fears expressed by epposition leaders. The opposition fears that the president is consolidating his control over broadcast news and that the radio and television will become even less subtle in its propagation of the views of the National Party. Speculation about Mr. Eksteen's removal had been intense since

Angust, when the president telephoned him during the middle of a television news broadcast and complained about coverage of the resignation of the Reverend Allan Hendrikse from the cabinet. Mr. Hendrikse, head of the mixed-race Labor Party, was given time in the broadcast to express his reasons for leaving the cabinet after Mr. Botha had attacked mixed-race members of Parliament for being ungrateful to Afrikaners and the National Party for giving them a voice in the tricameral

## For the Record

elimination of overtime.

The first flight of a prototype of the U.S. Steakth bomber, built to be nearly invisible to enemy radar, is scheduled for the fall, the U.S. Air that a Stealth bomber had crashed during a test flight in October, (UPI) Prime Minister Paias Wingti of Papua New Guinea and Michael Somare, an opposition leader, announced agreement Wednesday in Port Moresby to form a "government of national unity." The move follows a sudden adjournment of Parliament on April 11, when the government found an approximant of parliament on April 11, when the government

stidden adjournment of ramament on April 11, when the government faced an opposition motion of no confidence. (Reuters)

The Singapore government defended on Wednesday its acrest of 22 political activists last year, but said it would hold an inquiry into allegations they confessed to charges of subversion under duress. Eight of the 22 were rearrested Tuesday, a day after they said the authorities had used mental and physical abuse to obtain the confessions.

[AFF]

A Jewish historian, Isaac Lewin, professor emeritus of Yeshiva University in New York, has been awarded one of Poland's highest decorations, the Golden Medal of the Order of Ment, the university announced

# TRAVEL UPDATE

LONDON (Reuters) — Peninsular & Oriental Steam Navigation Co. said Wednesday that most of its striking Dover seamen had decided to end their 11-week stoppage over layoffs and work conditions and would be back at work next week.

The company said more than half of 2,000 strikers had accepted a new offer on pay and working conditions.

Under the offer, workers on the Dover-Boulogne ferry route will be offered an extra £400 (about \$750) a year, raising annual pay rates to £11,400 to £17,400. In return, the company wants to cut the work force by 360 jobs. The package calls for 29 more 24-hour shifts a year and the

Turkey's only rail link with Iran and the Middle East has been out by landslides caused by heavy rains, the Anatolian News Agency and in Istanbul. It will take 10 days before service can be restored. (Redes) Fare competition helped increase passenger traffic through Iraland's three international airports by 28 percent in the first quarter of this year, the Irish airports authority said Wednesday in Dublin. A record 995,465 passengers used the Dublin, Shannon or Cork airports.

(AP)

# Retaking Faw Peninsula Gives Iraq Big Military and Psychological Lift

By Bernard E. Trainor In recapturing a major piece of their opinion as they noted major Iraqi territory lost to Iran since the improvements in the Iraqi Army. New York Times Service WASHINGTON — The recapture by Iraq of the Faw Peninsula is a major military and psychological victory for the Iraqi leader, Saddam Hussein, in the view of Penta-

The unexpected Iraqi attack Sunday on the port city of Faw, captured by Iran in February 1986, removed a threat to Iraqi forces defending Basra, Iraq's second-largest city, 80 miles (130 kilometers) to the north. It also eliminated a jumping-off point for a possible Iranian attack against Iraq's principal supply line from Kuwait, half that distance to the west.

Iran also used the area, which juts out between Iran and Kuwait, as a launching site to fire Silkworm missiles against ships at anchor in the harbor at Kuwait.

Analysts say the balance in the war remains in Iran's favor because of its larger population and the fanaticism of its army. But the Iraqi victory complicates Iranian strate-

By Helen Dewar

Democratic leaders are preparing a

major overhaul of war powers legis-lation to eliminate provisions that

have caused both the White House

and Congress to ignore the law dur-

ing recent military clashes in the

The legislation is being drafted by the majority leader, Senator

Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia;

Senator Sam Nunn of Georgia, who is chairman of the Armed Scr-

· The War Powers Resolution re-

quires the president to notify Con-gress when involvement of U.S.

troops in hostilities becomes immi-

must be withdrawn within 90 days

unless Congress authorizes their

As outlined by Mr. Nunn, the

new proposal would repeal the re-

quirements that Congress approve

any long-term deployment of U.S.

troops in hostile situations. In-

stead, new language would provide

for expedited consideration by

port for Mr. Gorbachev, and en-

dorsed a more serious reprimand of

Several Russians somewhat fa-

scription of a clash between Mr.

Gorbachev and Mr. Ligachev last month was accurate, although they

could not confirm specific details.

had not fully recognized the threat to his leadership until publication

of the Sovietskaya Rossiya article,

which was apparently timed to ral-

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Washington Post Service tion between Congress and the WASHINGTON — Senate White House on military engage-

vices Committee, and Senator ald Reagan, have been reluctant to George J. Mitchell of Maine. It is set the law's provisions in motion,

expected to be introduced next and Congress did so only once, in authorizing U.S. troops in Lebanon shortly before they were perma-

ly approved a mild reprimand of toward a special meeting in late the No. 2 official, renewed its sup-

the editor of Sovietskaya Rossiya, moved prematurely," one Russian

miliar with leadership deliberations said this week that the general descrives vulnerable to a decisive

start of the war, the operation also showed that Iraqi forces, which **NEWS ANALYSIS** 

have remained on the defensive since the failure of an initial invasion of Iran in September 1980, are now able to conduct major attacks successfully.

After Iranian Revolutionary

Guards captured the peninsula two vears ago. Iraq immediately launched a series of counterattacks to retake it. The Iraqi attacks were poorly planned and executed, and after suffering heavy casualties without budging the Iranians, the Iraqi high command called off the attempt and ordered its troops to dig in to defensive positions.

forces did not have sufficient training or offensive spirit to go over to the attack. But within the past year Pentagon analysts began to revise sive war.

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tion between Congress and the president.

Concern that a U.S. military op-

eration could be jeopardized by

congressional stalemate is one of

the reasons that the War Powers

Resolution generally has been side-stepped in dealing with military en-

counters. The resolution was

passed in 1973 over President Rich-

ard Nixon's veto as the Vietnam

Presidents since, including Ron-

After weeks of bitter debate last

summer over whether to invoke the

ly opposition as the party moves

"Ligachev and his supporters

He added, "they were not ade-

selves vulnerable to a decisive

In recent days, many of the Sovi-et Union's leading intellectual fig-ures have pledged support for Mr.

Gorbachev's policies in letters pub-

On Tuesday, Pravda published a letter from 38 prominent writers

and editors, including the poets

Yevgeny Yevtushenko and Andre Vosnesensky, that offered a spirit-

ed defense of perestroika, the term

most commonly used for Mr. Gor-

bachev's effort to restructure the

economy and reduce rigidity in the

counterattack by Gorbachev."

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They say successful Iraqi counter gave a morale boost to Iraqis weary attacks against the Iranians in Kurof the war. The surprise victory also distan last month were proof that the army had improved. Defense Department officials

> strategy, but it may mount more limited attacks in the future. Apparently the Iranian command in Faw, at the tip of the peninsula, did not think the Iraqis could or would attack their well-defended position. This may have led to a false sense of security, which the Iraqis used to

carrying Iranian oil, but now the Iraqi Army has shown that it, too, can do more than just fight a defen-

would provide for more consulta- that had been undertaken by the or other measure to terminate the

say they do not expect Iraq's army to abandon its basic defensive

their advantage to surprise the Ira-nians on Sonday morning. The victory at Faw also strengthens Iraq's negotiating position for ending the war. Not only can Iraq's air force and long-range missiles hurt Iran, as they have been doing Many military specialists on the by attacking Tehran with long-war said they believed the Iraqi range missiles and hitting tankers

Revised U.S. War Powers Law Is Sought

Mr. Nunn said the new legislation would continue the notifica- law is that it encourages the presition provisions but drop the auto-dent and Congress to think in matic deadlines for congressional terms of time limits for military action. Instead, he said, it will provide for expedited procedures for way to fight a war," Mr. Num consideration of a funding cutoff contended.

The problem with the existing

Rome. It ends 16 days later at Beirut airport when 39 hos-tages, all Americans, are freed after Syrtan mediation. One American is shot to death dur-American is short to death during the hijacking. Other hostages were released earlier. The hijackers found refuge in Beirut. One alleged hijacker, Mohammed Ali Hamadeh, is awaiting trial in West Germany

April 5 - 20, 1988 An estimated nine Arabicspeaking gunmen, demanding release of 17 pro-Iran Arab militants jalled in Kuwait, seize

a Kuwaiti airliner en route from Bangkok to Kuwait. Two Ku-waitis are killed and 71 hostages are freed in three stops The hijacking ends in Algiers on April 20, the 16th day, when the remaining 31 hostages are freed. The gunmen apparently are allowed to leave Algeria for an unknown destination.

#### The Longest Airplane Hijackings leader Iman Moussa Sadr. The

Three Pakistani gunmen divert a Pakistani domestic flight to Kabul, Afghanistan, and Syria. The hijacking lasts 13 days, ending when Pakistan frees 54 political prisoners in systematic to the 10 seconds. exchange for the 101 hostages aboard the plane. The gunmen found refuge in Syria.

(Continued from Page 1)

hostages, paying little attention to pressure from the United States,

Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and others to

ment and provides that the troops law in connection with the U.S. March 28 - 31, 1981 tanker-escort operation in the Five Indonesian gunmen, demanding the release of 84 po-Gulf, the Senate skirted the issue litical prisoners in Indonesia. by approving a separate resolution requiring a report from the presi-dent and deferring further congreshijack an Indonesian Garuda airliner on a domestic flight and divert it to Malaysia and Bangkok. On March 31, Indo-The action was taken amid pronesian commandos storm the plane, killing four hijackers tests from some lawmakers that Congress was ignoring its own laws and wounding several of the out of a reluctance to assume re-55 passengers and crew.

any such deployments. It also or terminating a military operation nber 7 - 10, 1981 Three Lebanese gunmen hijack a Libyan airliner on a flight from Zurich to Tripoli, Libya, to protest the disap-**SOVIET:** Ligachev Power Ebbing

rut and makes stops in Athens, Rome and Tehran. The hliackers surrender in Beirut to Syrian troops. All 46 hos-tages are unharmed. December 4 - 9, 1984

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Four Lebenese gunmen, demanding the release of 17 pro-tran Arab prisoners jailed in Kuwait, setze a Kuwaiti alrilner en route from Kuwait to Pakistan with 161 passengers and crew aboard and order it to Tehran. During the six-day or-deal, two American passen-gers are kifled. On Dec. 9, Iranian troops storm the plane and free the last remaining hostages. The hijackers found refuge in Iran.

June 14 — 30, 1985 The longest hijacking ordeal begins when three Lebanese gunmen seize a Trans World Airlines Boeing 727 with 153 passengers and crew aboard on a flight from Athens to

# Compiled by Sytske Looijen

### HIJACK: Gunmen Free All Hostages on Kuwaiti Jet Arab capitals," and Israel "and its gressors and make them under-

not make a deal with the hijackers. 

Retaliation Threat

As the incident was ending, the Algerian interior minister, El-Hadi Khediri, said he could not discuss would retaliate against "America's the group is holding. aggressions" in the Gulf, The Assothe details of the negotiations or ciated Press reported from Beirut. Forge, Pennsylvania, was acting where the hijackers had been taken.

He said that was "an Algerian mat-"It was a question of saving human lives, and we cannot talk about bargaining," he remarked, adding that "a happy and peaceful solution" had been found. rines was killed by his pro-Iranian that Colonel Higgins had been captors. And a newspaper said two killed. French hostages might be freed be-In London, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said the hijackers should not go unpunished. She said fore Saturday.

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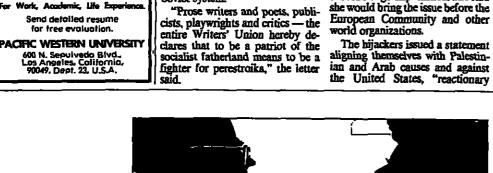
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William R. Higgins of the U.S. Maof Lebanon radio had said Monday

In another report Wednesday, An-Nahar said two Frenchmen

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# In a Newspaper Ad, Aged Texan Seeks 'Someone to Talk to'

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Hen York Times Service MIDLAND, Texas - For perhaps the first time in his 88 years, Andrew Knickerbocker is lonely. His children are grown and leading their own lives. His oil business has been closed since the last of his wells dried up two years ago. His wife, Hazel, 82, is in ill health, often lorgetting where she is and what she was saying.

His friends, he said, "have all moved north of lown - to the cemetery." Although he visits a gym for two hours every day, the rest of Mr. Knickerbocker's time is spent at home, in relative silence. "It's tiring when you don't have anyone to talk to," he said. "All I'm looking for is someone to talk

That is what led him to place an advertisement m a Dallas newspaper offering room, board and use of the family car to someone who wants to write novels. The only requirement is that the novelist be a woman, because, he said in a recent interview in his home, that would make his wife more comfortable. Sitting nearby, Mrs. Knicker-bocker, a fragile, chain-smoking woman with friendly but vacant eyes, periodically looked to her husband to answer all questions.

The novelist, Mr. Knickerbocker went on to say, must also be in good health, because "I cannot handle" another invalid in the house. The only thing he asks in return, he said, is companionship

So far, more than 150 women have answered his advertisement. They live in such places as New York, Colorado, California and Texas and range in age from their early 20s to their late 60s.

Although some of the letter writers describe his plan as unusual, Mr. Knickerbocker said it could not be more logical. He does not want to burden his family: a daughter who lives in Midland and a granddaughter in graduate school. He does not want to enter a nursing home, either, or confine his wife to one.

He is financially well off, he said. He has a part-time cook, a housekeeper and space for a guest bedroom, an extra bathroom and a study in his maculate house.

Rather than taking in a boarder, Mr. Knickermember of the family." When he and his wife die, he said, "We would leave them part of what we have, like we would family."

His wife only partly understands his plan, Mr. Knickerbocker said. "She agrees she needs someone to stay with her," said Mr. Knickerbocker, who leaves the house between 8:30 and 11:30 each morning to lift weights at the gym and run errands, but spends the rest of the day at home with his wife. "She begs me, 'Please don't send me to a nursing home, and I don't want to."

Mr. Knickerbocker is looking specifically for a bocker said. Executing it has been surprisingly writer-boarder because, he said, 'you want some-difficult. In the past year he has sent letters to one intelligent, and I figured a writer will be dozens of people likely to know aspiring writers: intelligent." He acknowledged, too, that he has book agents, college professors, even people who always thought the story of his own life would

make a good novel. age of 6, he lived with his family in a copper-swered my letter. There's no courtesy in business

A 5-foot-4 weightlifter, 88, offers room, board and use of the family car to a woman 'who wants to write novels.'

bocker said, he hopes to find "someone to be a smelting town on the Mexico-Arizona border, where his father ran a rooming house over a gambling saloon. In 1943, he started an oil-drilling ompany and retired more than 40 years later, at

> If a potential boarder would like to write his life story, Mr. Knickerbocker said, that would be just fine. "I think we could come up with something as good as anything on the best-seller list," he said. But if she has other projects in mind, he said, "We could talk about that, too."

Formulating his plan was easy, Mr. Knicker-

lways thought the story of his own life would type manuscripts at a per-page rate. Only one person wrote back. "I guess they thought it was a Mr. Knickerbocker was born in 1899. From the silly idea," he said. "But they should have an-

anymore. Last month, he took out the following advertisement in The Dallas Morning News: "Don't Overlook This. If you think you are a writer and would like to try to write that novel you always thought you could if you had the time and the finances. No money required now or ever. A real windfall for the right person. If interested write A. Knicker-

bocker, Box 2175, Midland, Texas. 79702. Within days he received 86 letters. Then The Morning News wrote of his search and he received 35 more. When The Houston Chronicle picked up the story, 40 more people wrote.

Late last month, Mr. Knickerbocker invited one of the writers to visit Midland, in West Texas, at his expense. The prospective boarder had worked in the real-estate industry in Dallas, but had lost her job as prices began to fall. Deep in debt, she said she wanted a place where she could escape from her problems.

After 24 hours Mr. Knickerbocker decided she would not do. "I was worried about her health," he don't want any more mail."

said, explaining that the applicant was about 40 to 50 pounds (18 to 22 kilograms) pounds overweight. A diminutive man — 5 feet 4 inches (1.62)

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meters) tall and 106 pounds - he acknowledged that he is "obsessive" about physical fitness. He sent the woman back to Dallas, but gave her \$400 for the back payments on her car, which was

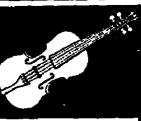
about to be repossessed. After reducing the stack of letters to three, Mr. Knickerbocker is finding out more about the final-ists. All are in their early 40s to mid-50s and all are from Texas. They have minimal writing experi-

ence, but "they write nice letters," he said. He said he is not worried that a stranger will take advantage of his loneliness or his generosity. "I believe I can watch them closely enough," he said. "You get used to watching out for yourself in

As further protection, he said he plans to ask for references from his finalists and is willing to provide his own references if asked. "They might want to know more about me before they move on in," he said. "I can understand that."

Still stinging from the lack of response from the literary agents, professors and manuscript typists. he is answering every letter he has received. That

takes a lot of time. He types using only two fingers.
"Please say the position is filled," he added. "I



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# Meese's Choice for Deputy Will Not Take Position

drew his name from consideration cial prosecutor for nearly a year. Wednesday, saying that he and his wife "were not prepared for the pressures" to which they would be that he had originally felt it had pressures" to which they would be been his duty to accept Mr. Meese's subjected.

The refusal is seen as a new embarrassment for Mr. Meese, who had announced April 5 that Mr. Shepherd, an attorney, was his choice to become deputy attorney general, replacing Arnold I. Burns.

that he was leaving. His last day on the job will be Friday.

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According to other Justice Department employees, the resigna-

tions of Mr. Burns and several oth-WASHINGTON — John C. er Justice Department officials Shepherd, the man Attorney General Edwin Meese 3d had chosen to become his deputy, formally with-

> Mr. Shepherd said in St. Louis that he had originally felt it had offer "without hesitation."

But, he added, "I am concerned about the personal and financial sacrifices my family and I were being asked to make in order to accept a very difficult short-term appointment. My wife and I were Mr. Burns announced March 29 not prepared for the pressures to which someone recommended for this position at this time would be

He said he and Mr. Meese had

have asked him to withdraw my law firm testified that she had had name from consideration," he add-

Mr. Shepherd would have rebeen criticized for belonging to two write checks. private clubs, one all-white, the Mr. Mees other all-male.

Mr. Meese, in a statement of his own, said, "Regrettably, intense media attention on Mr. Shepherd's impending nomination has had a severe impact on him and his fam-

discussed his predicament. "While mended Mr. Shepherd for the Jus- under indictment in the Wedtech I am pleased to learn that there is tice Department post, a former affair, sources said Wednesday, no obstacle to my nomination, I bookkeeper from Mr. Shepherd's 3 Aides I as you ■ 3 Aides Leave

The bookkeeper, who was conplaced Mr. Burns as the No. 2 offi-cial in the department. Mr. Shep-checks to herself. Mr. Shepherd de-herd, former president of the nied that he had an affair with her American Bar Association, has or that he had authorized her to

Mr. Meese said Wednesday, "There is nothing whatsoever to suggest that Mr. Shepherd would

have had any confirmation prob-

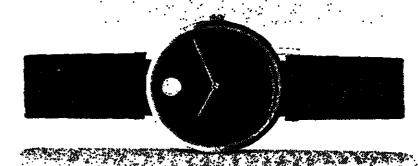
Mr. Shepherd earlier had been recommended for a job in the Jus-tice Department by E. Robert Wal-Shortly before Mr. Meese recom- lach, a friend of Mr. Meese now



It was not immediately clear whether the new resignations were intended as a protest, but the loss of three more senior department officials at a time of turmoil at the

Justice Department is a serious blow to Mr. Meese. The resignations of the officials, Paul G. Cassell, Raymond B. Ludwiszewski and Gregory S. Walden, all associate deputy attorneys general, follow the departures in late March of Mr. Burns, Assistant Attorney General William F. Weld

and four of their top aides. The latest departures mean that five top associates of Mr. Burns have decided to resign in the last



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# U.S., Soviet Negotiators Progress On Verifying Strategic Arms Accord

By Don Oberdorfer



"We're going to Moscow with types of sensors to be placed in some with additional thoughts," space. Mr. Shultz said Wednesday at a

Although Mr. Shultz did not de-tail the ideas he is bringing, his aides indicated they included these

• New U.S. suggestions for resolving the dispute with the Soviets over how to count the number of air-launched cruise missiles placed on strategic bombers. The more these are counted, the fewer other nuclear weapons can be deployed by the two sides under the total limitations they have agreed to. One aide said Mr. Shutz is prepared to offer limitations on the basing of bombers armed with cruise missiles, and to offer ways to distinguish these from other war-

 A suggestion that the two sides get around the issue of limiting sealaunched cruise missiles by declaring how many such nuclear-armed weapons each plans to deploy, without seeking more definite or verifiable limits. Recently, the Soviets have insisted on limiting nuclear sea-launched cruise missiles,

or "SLCM's," while the United States has insisted that nonnuclear SLCM's must not be limited. Both sides have been unable to present a lift to ongoing talks to dismantle workable and acceptable proposal long-range strategic weapons.

Senator Robert C. Byrd of West for telling the difference between nuclear and nonnuclear types. The officials said the recent pro-

gress in the Geneva arms discussions has cleared away much "underbrush" of detail on complex issues of inspection and verification although they emphasized that much more remains to be done. fleshing out of a "garrison" con- Committee.

cept to limit the deployment of Mr. Nunn asserts that an amend-

"no engaging" in recent discus-sions. He and others expressed the "We are very concerned about hone for progress in this area in the talks in Moscow. The Americans made clear they especially hoped to hear the Soviet reaction to a recent U.S. proposal to permit certain

Mr. Shultz is meetings in Mosnews conference in Helsinki held to cow on Thursday and Friday with explain how the United States Mikhail S. Gorbachev, the Soviet hoped to resolve issues standing in leader, and Foreign Minister the way of an accord to cut back Eduard A. Shevardnadze. The outweapons by up to 50 percent. The tween several groups of senior secretary's comments were precedates on both sides may determine ed by an arms control progress report for journalists by several of his senior aides.

whether a landmark Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty can be completed in time for signing at the Mos-

> Many U.S. officials have described such a quick resolution of the far-reaching accord as unlikely. But Mr. Shultz as well as his aides said Wednesday that they have not

given up hope.
U.S. and Soviet positions on regional disputes also are going to be given emphasis in the talks following a flare-up of military action in

■ Senate Warned on INF Julie Johnson of The New York Times reported from Washington:

The White House said Wednesday that any effort to amend the INF treaty would delay Senate ap proval of the accord and would be most unfortunate."

Marlin Fitzwater, the White House spokesman, said Mr. Reagan had hoped the accord would be approved before the summit meeting in Moscow, not afterward. Fur-ther, he said, Senate approval of the treaty, which bans Soviet and U.S. medium- and shorter-range nuclear missiles, would give a symbolic

Virginia, the majority leader, has said the treaty will be debated on the Senate floor May 9, about two weeks before Mr. Reagan departs. Mr. Fitzwater's comments Wednesday were more aimed at an objection that has been raised to the accord by Senator Sam Nunn, One of the advances, an official Democrat of Georgia and chairsaid, was the Soviet presentation in man of the Senate Armed Services

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"We are very concerned about that," Mr. Fitzwater said of the senator's objection. "All of our discussions with the Congress have indicated that they would be able to ratify the treaty before we go to Moscow for the summit. That has been our expectations based on dis-cussions with Congress. We still think that is possible, and we hope that the Congress will stick to that

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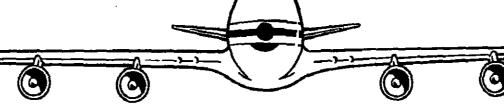
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# U.S. Accuses Mozambique Rebels of Terrorism

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WASHINGTON — A South Afyears. rican-backed rebel movement in Mozambique is waging a reign of terror against unarmed civilians involving random and brutal killings, slave labor, forced marches and starvation, according to a report made public on Wednesday by the State Department.

The report, based on recent interviews with Mozambicans who about 872,000 living outside their homeland, paint a picture of a refugee camps emaciated and clad only in rags or tree bank - was the tematically slaughtering civilians first systematic effort to substanti- without provocation and with no ate reports of atrocities by the Mo- attempt to proselytize among the zambique National Resistance The report said rebel actions Movement, known as Renamo, in cording to the report.

homeland, paint a picture of a guerrilla group senselessly and syspopulation or win its support, ac-

exaggerated," he said. A South African Embassy the war.

man said he had no comment on the report.

evidence of continuing support for conflict, according to State Departit from a sector of the South African military.

The support, they said, includes communications equipment, intelligence, sporadic shipments of small arms and assistance in the movement's international diplomatic efforts. Of 200 refugees interviewed, 170

said they had witnessed or knew of 600 persons, 50 of them children, killed by Renamo rebels, the report stated. The report concluded that "it is conservatively estimated that 100,000 civilians may have been murdered by Renamo."

The refugee survey, conducted by an independent consultant for the State Department's Bureau of Refugee Programs, is likely to bolster the Reagan administration's policy of cooperation with Mozambique's ruling party, the Mozam-bique Liberation Front. That policy has been attacked by some Republicans who want the United States to recognize and support

Last year, in an effort to move the administration off its policy, in the refugee camps. Senator Jesse Helms, Republican of North Carolina, and Senator Bob Dole, Republican of Kansas. delayed Senate confirmation of Melissa F. Wells as ambassador to Mozambique for 11 months.

Chester A. Crocker, assistant secretary of state for African affairs, has said recognition of Renamo would be seen as tacit support for South Africa's "destabilization efforts" toward its black African

U.S. officials were cautious about attributing knowledge of or responsibility for Renamo's abuses to South African political leaders. One senior official said that he

would be amazed if more than few people in the South African government were aware "of the hideous scene" in Mozambique. He said that he thought President P.W. Botha "would be horrified." He said that the report indicates

that "more than ever the South Africans have some decisions to make" regarding their ties with

ed in Malawi, Zambia, Zimbabwe, ed on recovering the remains.

may have resulted in at least its 10-year effort to bring down the 100,000 deaths over the last two years.

"It's in a category by itself," said South Africa and Mozambique a State Department official. "Tve during the first three months of this never seen anything like it in Afriviewed left Mozambique last year But Louis Serapiao, Renamo's or during the first three months of representative in Washington, said 1988. Although severe drought is that it was a biased report. The also contributing to the refugee State Department reports are being flow, more than 90-percent of the refugees said they fled because of

> In addition to those outside Mozambique, 1.6 million Mozambi-Pretoria denies supporting Ren-amo, but U.S. officials say there is their rural villages because of the ment figures.

A State Department official said Tuesday that the "the details the refugees were giving was very au-thoritative," partly because similar stories were given by refugees sepa-rated by thousands of miles. In some instances, accounts of atrocities received from refugees were verified later with other people inside Mozambique.

The report describes the civilian

population in . Renamo-controlled areas as a "captive" one. In these areas, spread over at least 10 to 15 percent of Mozambique, the population is forced to work without pay from dawn to dusk on collective farms and given no food, the report

An official said those who manage to grow their own food "face an unbearable level of extortion so that they are very weak and "Many are too weak to escape,

he said. He added that this also explains "why people are showing up looking like walking skeletons"

These "captive" people are used as porters on forced marches that sometimes last a week, the report

#### Italian Police Recover Stolen Remains of Pope The Associated Press

es, Italy issued arrest warrants for two Red Army members, Junzo Okudaira and Fusako Shigenobu. L'AQUILA, Italy - The remains of Pope Celestine V, stolen two Red Army members, Junzo from the Roman Catholic cathe-Okudaira and Fusako Shigenobu. dral here Sunday, were found Mrs. Shigenobu is believed to be Wednesday in a plywood box hid-den in the hollow of a cemetery But Tokyo analysts say wall about 30 kilometers (19 miles) away, the authorities said.

The mummified remains of the pope, who resigned in 1294 after a of 200. five-month reign, were pronounced in perfect condition after an examination by church officials. The pomight be capable of supplying bombs and technical assistance to lice said they recovered the remains in the cemetery in Amatrice after allied terrorist groups. following a group of suspects to the Mr. Okudaira is the younger town, in central Italy. ANSA, the brother of Kozo Okudaira, one of tenamo.

Italian news agency, said the susthree Japanese guerrillas recruited

The refugee survey was conductpects escaped as police concentratby the Popular Front for the Liber-

people and wounded 76 in an at-tack on Lod sirport in Tel Aviv in other guernilla groups in the Ana-1972. The sole surviving gunman, 1972. The sole surviving games an analyst said. He specular they, rather than the Red Army, may have had something to do wife may have had something to do wife. tions and is no longer capable of major terrorist activity, Japanese analysts and police officials say.

Judging from the reported

A U.S. Navy honor guard carries the coffin of Radioman 3d Class Angela Santos of Florida from a

plane after its arrival in Dover, Delaware, on Tuesday. She died in a bombing in Naples on April 14.

A Fragmented and Ineffective Force

Japanese Analysts Call Red Army

TOKYO - The Japanese Red

Army, known for several hijackings and a Tel Aviv airport massacre in the 1970s, has split into tiny fac-

Italian investigators have said

they suspect that members of the

guerrilla group, now based in Leba-

non, placed the car bomb outside a U.S. servicemen's club in Naples

on April 14 that killed five persons

Acting on the reports of witness-

and injured 15.

schisms within the group, Japanese police officials and nongovernment analysts said they doubted it was capable of coordinated international action.

ed into at least four factions," one analyst, who asked not to be identified. He was particularly dubious

about Italian police statements that Mrs. Shigenobu was behind the Naples bombing.
"Shigenobu hasn't been seen

But Tokyo analysts say that the outside Lebanon in the past 10 group, which has been mactive in years," said the analyst, who has apan for a decade, has dwindled to fewer than 20 members from a high Individual members of the to victory. group, Japanese analysts suggest, Soon after the Naples bombing,

the group issued a statement in Beirut denying any connection with the incident.

Police officials said that the witnesses' reports cited by the Italians

were found in a Jakarta hotel user by guerrillas who fired rockets at the Japanese, Canadian and U.S. embassies. The brigade claimed as: sponsibility for the attack.

The brigade also claimed respon-The Red Army has disintegrat-

sibility for a series of similar attacks against the British and U.S. embassies in Rome.

other guertilla groups in the And-Imperialist International Brigade, an analyst said. He speculated that

Fingerprints of a Japanese Red

Army member, Tsutomu Shirusaki,

the Naples bombing.

The analyst said it was not clearhow important the Japanese Red Army strength was within the bot-

In the United States, investigators said last week they were checkhad a number of contacts with Red ing into a possible connection be-Army members. Besides, she has tween the group and a Japanese Army members. "Besides, she has repeatedly denied the terrorist path national arrested in New Jersey." with three pipe bombs in his car.

## Thai Bus Explosion Kills 21

BANGKOK — An explosion and fire on a bus killed 21 passen-Red Army members, used by the al others in Nakhon Ratchasima authorities and the news media in Province in northeast and almost Japan and abroad, were taken about 10 years ago. of the explosic
The Red Army is said to be ately known. of the explosion was not immedi-

# Drug Addiction Troubles Vietnam

By Barbara Crossette HO CHI MINH CITY - Nar-

cotics addiction, once described by officials as an eradicable evil left over from the former Saigon regime, appears to be on the rise among the young in both southern and northern Vietnam.

In Hanoi, where narcotics use by young men and women began only recently, there are thought to be 50 or more illegal dens where opium and heroin are available. In Ho Chi Minh City, the police say there are several hundred points of sale and perhaps tens of thousands of intravenous drug abusers in the city of

Hundreds of thousands of others smoke opium or chew it, the traditional methods of opiate ingestion in Southeast Asia. But officials say the traditional uses of opium, including medicinal applications for complaints as minor as stomach ches, are not considered part of the narcotics problem.

which is still too expensive for most action against narcotics traffickers. low. Vietnamese — is the Golden Triangle area where Laos, Thailand and Burma meet, according to Nguyen prison, he said.

Quang Van, director of a narcotics In the new habilitation center in Ho Chi

"Truck drivers are bringing drugs in from Laos and the addicts themselves are finding ways to smuggle narcotics from Thailand through Cambodia," Mr. Van said.

The official position is that addicts from the former regime are introducing young people to opium and heroin in order to bolster the market and support their own hab-its. But Mr. Van said that soldiers who have served in Cambodia and Laos are also among the addicts and dealers.

International narcotics agencies say there is evidence that Laotian government officials are involved Mr. Van said that for the first

rime. Vietnamese officials are considering poppy eradication within Vietnam, although opium is said to be produced only in the far north-western corner of the country. Huynh Son Phuoc, deputy editor of Tuoi Tre, which recently as-

signed a reporter to spend a day in Ho Chi Minh City's most active the narcotics problem.

The principal source of opium — the public is beginning to demand and small amounts of heroin, stronger laws and tougher police When prosecuted, dealers are often sentenced to only a year or two in

In the newspaper's account, headlined "24 Hours in the City's We need to replace one passion Biggest Narcotics Market," the rewith another: the passion for life."

strangers narcotics in broad daylight in passageways and public toi-lets around the neighborhood of the city's bus terminal and the Ben Thanh market. Most of those who inject drugs in

porter described addicts injecting themselves and dealers offering

Vietnam, among them relatively well-off young men and women in their 20s and 30s, use a liquefied opium solution, Mr. Van said. The Tuoi Tre report said that poorer people share the dealer's common needle; others take the solution home and use their own needles. Mr. Van, who walked a visitor

through his treatment center in the Binh Trieu area of Ho Chi Minh City, appealed for help in getting copies of Western studies on nar-At Mr. Van's rehabilitation cen-

ter, in a former Roman Catholic States to seminary, about 700 addicts are Renamo. treated first through acupuncture Last year. to dull withdrawal pain, then are given massages, exercises, cold baths and medicinal herbs. Vocational training and extensive social and psychological counseling fol-"We have three aims here." Mr.

Van said. "We want to teach love and self-respect, hatred for the trafficker and faith in work and life.

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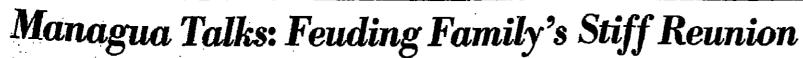
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By Julia Preston
Washington Fast Service
MANAGUA — The weekend talks between Nicaraguan government and rebel leaders was in part

So the option a history-making negotiation yet in part an uneasy reunion of a feuding

On Tuesday, at the end of four days of effort, there was a harden-

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talks, of such divided families as the famous Chamorro journalists and the lesser-known Pasos, who played key roles on both sides. For

once, barbs were flying between the warring sides instead of bullets.

Adolfo Calero, a conservative leader of the U.S.-backed rebels. known as contras, used the term "realpolitik" to describe the contras' first trip to Managua under the terms of a 60-day cease-fire accord signed March 23. "This is not a sentimental inurear " Mr. not a sentimental journey," Mr. Calero added later.

Alfredo César, another top political director of the Nicaraguan Resistance, the contra alliance, spelled out the rebels' rationale for negotiating. He argued that contra fighters have proven they have

Sandinist army equipped by the Soviet Union. But, he added, the Sandinists cannot wipe out the

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"So the option would be a long war with many people killed and no side achieving victory," Mr. Cesar

The contras also said they came to Managua to publicize their agening of the underlying political posi-tions. But this was buffered in part for democratic reforms to move by the gathering, if only for these Nicaragua away from Marxism and toward a liberal state.

Meanwhile, the Sandinist dele-gation, headed by Defense Minister Humberto Ortega Saavedra, asserted that the contras had been all but crushed on the battlefield. The Sandinists left no opening to consider the rebels' political concerns and seemed to regard them as a bothersome distraction in the dis-

"There is no more elegant way to play for time than to talk about democracy in the abstract," Major General Joaquin Cnadra, General Ortega's second in command, com-

The only announced result of this round was an agreement for another one, April 28.

President Daniel Ortega Saave-dra, addressing a rally of many thousands of followers on Tuesday night, soothed the frustrated crowd



said the army had evidence that several rebel cells were now operat-Three leaders of the Nicaraguan guerrilla movement, from left, Pedro Joaquín Chamorro, Adolfo Calero and Alfredo César, in Miami after returning from talks in Managua to end the civil war.

chiefs of the Nicaraguan Resis-

government is unsure the political to what they sign, Mr. Ortega said. Pointing to Mr. Suarez's paunch, wide support from the peasantry, but without U.S. military aid could not bope to defeat the 80,000-troop about the cease-fire agreement. The mander, Enrique Bermidez, stick about the cease-fire agreement. The mander, Enrique Bermidez, stick about the cease-fire agreement. The mander, Enrique Bermidez, stick about the cease-fire agreement. The mander, Enrique Bermidez, stick about the cease-fire agreement. The mander, Enrique Bermidez, stick about the cease-fire agreement officials live but often turned off political directors and the field the microphones when the contras commanders, and was said by some spoke.

> he signed in March. porter, began accusing each other cy. on live national radio of loyalties to the former regime of General An-

astasio Somoza. was an "assassin of children" and dra, then over coffee they ex- attacking civilian vehicles, by expointed out that he was living in changed gossip about nieces and ploding bombs and by planting Nicaragua, "suffering the war." nephews.

There were signs of trouble in Ms. Parrales replied, "It's easy to

guerrilla leaders to be harboring A family reunion came among second thoughts about the accord the Pasos sisters. Marta Pasos de Sacasa, who is based in Miami, was tried to hold a press conference, gation, Her sister Rosa is a Sandin-cuted."

ra, a village mayor. According to local press reports, witnesses said the rebels shot Mr. Ventura, 55, in front of his wife and children. The rebels said in a communique

that Mr. Ventura, who was re-elected mayor last month for the rightist Nationalist Republican Alliance. had defied their order not to run in On Saturday, about 20 rebels a spokeswoman for the contra dele-the elections and so had been "exe-

Salvadoran

Guerrillas

**Targeting** 

By James LeMoyne

New York Times Service
SAN SALVADOR — Leftist

guerrillas appear to have hardened

their tactics in recent days by kill-

ing a mayor and two other civilians

and warning that they will attack other civilian targets. in a communique Monday, the guerrillas warned civilians that

they would now attack restaurants

and other places frequented by

U.S. citizens and government officials, a broad category that in-

cludes many gathering places in San Salvador. The warning follows

the rebels' first use of car bombs

the next months," the rebels said.

\*Military actions will increase in

A Salvadoran military official

ing in San Salvador and probably

The guerrillas of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front

took responsibility for the killing

over the weekend of Pearo Ventu-

would carry out attacks soon.

last month.

Civilians

But it broke down when Leda de ist Army major and spokeswoman. The guerrillas also claimed to Parrales, a contra, and Emigdio Maria Isabel, the youngest, is a have "executed" two civilians be-Suarez, a pro-Sandinist radio reporter for a Sandinist news agenciase they were suspected of theft

and spying. In recent months the guerrillas conference at which Marta called have killed another mayor, kidstasio Somoza. the Sandinists "totalitarian." Rosa napped others and killed or Mr. Suarez told Ms. Parrales she introduced Marta to General Cua-wounded more than 20 civilians by

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# Polish Jew Annoys Friend and Foe In Marking Warsaw Ghetto Uprising

By John Tagliabue New York Times Service WARSAW — Marck Edelman is an uncomfortable man. For one thing, there is his history. In 1943, when the tide turned against Hitler's armies, and the decision came to raze the Warsaw ghetto, he was the 22-year-old deputy commander of the desperate Jews who challenged German might by taking up

Unlike most survivors, Dr. Edelman, now a distinguished cardiologist, chose to stay on in Poland. More than that, though, he is a man who says things simply and unmis-takably. In a 1976 interview he bristled at the notion that the millions of Jews who did not rebel against the Nazis somehow be-trayed their dignity. He thus ap-peared to dismantle the idea that

the resistance fighters had been the real heroes. "Those people went quietly and with dignity," he said. "It is a horrendous thing when one is going so quietly to one's death. It is infinite-

ly more difficult than to go out

- Dr. Edelman is causing severe discomfort these days. He is at the center of a series of unofficial In exchange, Poland became the events to commemorate the ghetto uprising, events that have annoyed both the Polish leadership and Jew-

old physician mingled with Polish tion to two seemingty unrelated figopposition leaders like Adam wes. But the deeper concern to the Michnik, an essayist, and Jan Jozef Israelis and other Jews appeared to Lipski, a historian, to dedicate a be the unease it caused General monument to two Jewish Bysta-kind of key to Israel's reconciliation of key invasion of eastern Poland.

ally, was not delighted with the trumped-up charges of espionage diplomatic relations between Po-for Nazi Germany. It is probably land and Israel.

For Dr. Edelman, the criticism the Eastern bloc to socialists slain

Dr. Edelman's project for alterna-tive events has upset a discreet agreement by the two sides, under ki's image as international pariah, by meeting with him in New York three years ago, at a time when he was being shunned for his crack-down on the Solidarity trade union.

'Commemoration of the ghetto must not only take place under the banner of the state. Society has a right to express its honor for the ghetto uprising.'

first Soviet bloc country to re-establish limited diplomatic relations with Israel after an 18-year break.

Marek Edelman, ghetto

elsewhere who have been permitted representatives from abroad is to flock to Poland to mark the 45th what they perceive as the lack of a united front, and a slighting of the ghetto memory by directing attenlin in 1941 for protesting the Soviet tion with Eastern Europe. And the Israelis regard Eastern Europe as General Wojciech Jaruzelski's the gateway to renewed relations government, loyal to the Soviet with the Soviet Union.

Israeli officials and other Jewish representatives met with General modest red granite stone bearing representatives met with General the names of Henryk Erlich and Jaruzelski for nearly two hours on Wiktor Alter, Jews and fiercely loy- Tuesday but failed to elicit a comal Poles who were executed on mitment for re-establishing full

For Dr. Edelman, the criticism from both establishments rang hollow, as he insisted that for each will be equal."

What chiefly irks the govern-ment and the Jewish visitors is that mean something different. mean something different. Against General Jaruzelski's government he fiercely defends the right of independent recollection. which Jewish representatives "This commemoration of the ghet-helped diminish General Jaruzels- to must not only take place under

the banner of the state," he said.
"Society has a right to express its honor for the ghetto uprising." The Polish government has denounced the independent events as political grandstanding. Israeli and other Jewish representatives, except for a handful of Jewish Bund veterans from the United States and Canada, assiduously avoided

For the Polish government, the entanglement with Dr. Edelman is nothing new. In 1980, he became active in the Solidarity movement, a role he continues to play.

Three years later, he called for a boycott of government-sponsored ceremonies to mark the 40th anniversary of the ghetto uprising, saying attendance would be "an act of cynicism and contempt" in light of the suppression of the Solidarity

This year, to lure him into the official ceremonies, the govern-ment offered him Poland's highest decoration for military valor. Dr. Edelman turned it down.

Those who know the silverthe love for Solidarity springs from his rediscovery there of the closeness and ideals of the wartime com-

That view appeared to find confirmation in words Edelman spoke Sunday, when he stood on a mound in front of the low red stone in the sunlit Jewish cemetery.

"They are dead, but their ideals live on," he said, culogizing the two Bund leaders. "Organized freedom movements were established in Poland. The Committee for the Defense of Workers, and from its initiative the Solidarity union, with its many millions of members, was born. It is true that over seven years ago it was suppressed, but it con-tinues on in spite of all difficulties, fighting for a free and independent Poland in which all working people

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# **House for Chun** Shown in Seoul

Agence France-Presse
SEOUL — A huxurious house said to have been intended for former President Chun Doo Hwan has been opened to Korean reporters, newspapers here reported.

The house built on a secluded eight-hectare (20-acre) lot in the grounds of the Ilhae research institute set up by Mr. Chun near Seoul, was decorated with Korean antiques and included a tennis court and a large indoor swimming pool, the reports said Tuesday.

Mr. Chun is a former general who ended a seven-year term of office in February. The opposition is demanding that he be investigatat ed for committee. He has denied the allegations.

Mr. Chun recently resigned as chairman of the Advisory Council of Elder Statesmen after his brother was arrested for embezzlement.

# Sudanese Rebels Kill 55 Soldiers in Ambush

KHARTOUM, Sudan — Rebels in south Sudan killed 55 soldiers but sustained 500 casualties when they ambushed an army column between the towns of Malakal and Nasir in the Upper Nile region, al-Ayyam, an independent newspa-

per, said Wednesday.

Quoting officials, the newspaper said 500 rebels of the Sudan People's Liberation Army were killed in the fighting on Sunday before the rest fled to an area near the Ethiopian border. Five army officers were among the dead, it added.

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# N.Y. Campaign Earns Mixed Reviews

By Frank Lynn New York Times Service NEW YORK - New York Democratic politicians, in assess-

ing the party's primary election campaign, gave the most bouquets and the most brickbats to Senator Albert Gore Jr. of Tennessee and the "fourth candidate" in the race, Mayor Edward L Koch.

Governor Michael S. Dukakis of Governor Michael S. Dukakis of him when he runs against Bush. Massachusetts was generally You have to want the job, you have praised for a positive campaign that allowed him to stay above the squabbling over Mr. Jackson, although there also was mild criticism for the governor's "coasting," or playing it safe.

Most of the praise for Mr. Jackson centered on his organization and his "turning the other cheek" to the attacks from Mr. Koch.

Governor Mario M. Cuomo, publicly neutral in the race, declined to be interviewed for his appraisal. But Mr. Koch, a Gore supporter, said: "I think Al Gore regrettably wasn't adequately in maximizing the campaign, technically in maximizing the campaign, technically in maximizing the end he may have pushed some regrettably wasn't adequately ing his vote and, like us, not being the campaign and like us, not be campaign.

know whether I helped or hurt," he

The mayor also said that Mr. avowing Koch."

Jackson had "buffaloed" reporters

Mark Green, he is coasting; that's going to hurt

to show it." Mel Miller, the speaker of the New York Assembly and the ranking Democratic legislator in the state, nearly endorsed Mr. Gore. But in the end the speaker stayed neutral. Mr. Gore "floundered and

started to run against his own re-

cord," Mr. Miller said. Paul Bograd, the Dukakis campaign manager in New York, said: This has been one of the ugliest of mistakes" that "ended up with Koch and culminated in him dis- primary, because many had "closed

Mark Green, the 1986 Demoto the Reverend Jesse L. Jackson with nonresponsive answers to cratic Senate candidate, who was questions.

As for Mr. Dukakis, the mayor said: "I think there is a feeling that added that the mayor had been "the fourth candidate," who "rubbed salt in black-Jewish wounds, polarized the city and probably caused himself tsouris next year." "Tsouris" is Yiddish for "trouble," and the mayor has said

he will seek a fourth term in 1989. Assemblyman Herman D. Farrell, the Manhattan Democratic leader, who backed Mr. Jackson, a campaign with emphysema," a said: "Ed Koch has made the city reference to a Gore advertising said: "Ed Koch has made the city look totally racist. I don't know if it will come back to haunt him, but it will come back to haunt the city."

"This has been one of the ugliest Stanley Hill, the labor leader "There's good news, and there's chapters in politics." He said that who was state co-chairman of the bad news, Mr. Garth said. "Koch Stanley Hill, the labor leader

funded to get his message across." drawn into the low road." He said added that it would not have been The mayor's own role? "I don't that Mr. Gore had made "a litany "productive" for Mr. Jackson to meet with Jewish groups before the minds.

John A. Marino, executive director of the Democratic State Committee, a Cuomo associate who was publicly neutral, said: "The Jackson campaign was wonderfully done. I would have done exactly what he did."

Mr. Gore's initial "negative campaign was a mistake, and appealing to only one group was a mistake," he said. Mr. Koch? "He didn't

David Garth, the Gore advertising consultant and longtime asso-ciate of the mayor, said, "It was like budget of \$750,000 in New York. "Gore also suffered from the beat-Jackson syndrome." The mayor?



Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir at a memorial service in Jerusalem on Wednesday for the soldiers killed in Israel's wars.

Israel Celebrates, but Protests Continue

# VOTE: Jackson Says He's in Race to the Last Primary ASSESS:

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world" is certain. But his victory was considered a major step toward obtaining the

percent and Senator Paul Simon of

Of the 255 delegates from New gutter.' York at stake, Mr. Dukakis won 164, Mr. Jackson 89, Mr. Gore 2 and Mr. Simon none.

On Wednesday, Mr. Dukakis had a total of 1,063.15 delegates, more than half of the 2,082 he needs to win the nomination, according to a count by The Associated Press. Mr. Jackson had 841.1 delegates and Mr. Gore 421.55. Mr. Simon has suspended his

campaign. With aides to Mr. Gore signaling that their candidate would do likewise Thursday, Mr. Dukakis is likely to face only Mr. Jackson in the upcoming primaries. Polls give Mr. Dukakis the advantage in the contest in Pennsylvania on Tuesday and in Ohio and Indi-

Vice President George Bush easily won on the Republican side in ran virtually unopposed. He got his actions on the day the Reverend almost all of the 134 delegates at Martin Luther King Jr. was killed stake. He is now only nominally 20 years ago. opposed for the Republican nomination by Pat Robertson, the former television evangelist.

said it was too early for him to vided a city that was racially polar- unenthusiastic supporters of Mr. consider a nomination for the vice ized. The actions by Mr. Koch re- Dukakis had unfavorable views of presidency. "Let's wait until June 8 newed talk among blacks and Mr. Jackson.

ment at Smith College

newspaper in more recent years.

own and fascinated to read.

last major primaries are scheduled. "We're very much in this race. We expect great things to happen."

Mr. Jackson praised Mr. Duka-New York voters gave Mr. Du-kis for running a "credible and de-kakis 51 percent of the popular vote, Mr. Jackson 37 percent, Sena-tor Albert Gore Jr. of Tennessee 10 the contest. He congratulated Mr. Dukakis for resisting the "temptation to take the campaign to the

> Of the New York campaign, he said. "In this case you had a mayor with a strong supporting cast who led the drive using race and religion

Mayor Edward I. Koch of New harshly criticized Mr. Jackson during the primary campaign. The voting Tuesday ended what had been But in one of the most bitter campaigns among the Democratic primaries. The discord had more to do with among the three candidates.

son from the beginning of the cam- son. paign to the end. He declared that Jews and friends of Israel would be "crazy" to back Mr. Jackson who, the New York primary, where he the mayor charged, misrepresented his actions on the day the Reverend

leashed an angry reaction among backed him with reservations or blacks and many liberal whites, woted for him to stop another candidate Nearly 70 percent of the On Wednesday, Mr. Jackson who said the comments further di- didate. Nearly 70 percent of the

cautions, saying "nothing in this said, referring to the day after the date to run against him in city elections next year.

Mr. Koch later acknowledged ers continue to treat him in a way his verbal assault on Mr. Jackson had been a mistake and had not helped Mr. Gore.

Mr. Dukakis overwhelmed Mr. additional momentum by gaining Jackson in the suburbs of New support among the so-called super-York City and upstate. But Mr. delegates, more than 600 public Jackson outpolled Mr. Dukakis in delegates, more than 600 public and party officials who will be giv-

leaving their polling places, Mr. more endorsements from superde-Jackson won 93 percent of black legates, and other politicians con-votes, up from 85 percent four sidered that a good possibility. years ago. He also won 15 percent York, who supported Mr. Gore, of the ballots of whites, who gave tive, it seems clear, as it did not at him only 6 percent of their votes

But in a contest turned bitter by its emphasis on race and religion, Mr. Dukakis won overwhelming The discord had more to do with margins among whites. Mr. Duka-what Mr. Koch said about Mr. kis ran especially well among Jew-Jackson than with comments is voters, getting 77 percent of their votes to 16 percent for Mr. The mayor criticized Mr. Jack- Gore and 7 percent for Mr. Jack-

The poll suggested that many whites, particularly Jews, backed Mr. Dukakis mainly to defeat Mr. Jackson.

Only about 45 percent of those who voted for Mr. Dukakis said 20 years ago.
they supported him strongly;
The criticisms by Mr. Koch un-roughly 50 percent said they backed him with reservations or

# to make that kind of judgment," he liberals of an effort to find a candi- Dukakis Favored

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he considers evenhanded. Apart from the primaries, Mr. Dukakis should be able to generate New York City by about 6,000 en automatic votes at the convenvotes out of roughly 900,000 cast. tion. Key members of his staff had According to a New York Times-CBS News Poll of 2,100 voters would bring a harvest of 100 or

> sidered that a good possibility.
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> From a post-New York perspecthe time, that Super Tuesday provided the indispensable platform on which Mr. Dukakis has built. From that point on, it was more or less clear that Mr. Jackson was in the race to stay, with his special assets of overwhelming support in pied West Bank and Gaza Strip the black community and far great-er oratorical intensity than any of well into a fifth month. his adversaries. What was not fully clear until New Yorkers cast their ballots was whether Mr. Dukakis Army, referred to the role the army would be able to keep Mr. Gore in

Hawke to Visit Washington

United Press International WASHINGTON — President in the 1967 Arab-Israeli war, except

New York Times Service JERUSALEM — In old battlefields, in cemeteries, in the schools they attended and at the Western Wall, the most sacred Jewish site, Israelis remembered their 16,450 war dead on Wednesday as a threeday holiday began marking the 40th year of independence.

But the celebrations of Israel's triumphs was marred this year by cration organization, Khalil al-Wathe shadow of the uprising, the pro- zir, widely known as Abu Jihad. tests by Palestinians from the occu-

By John Kifner

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, in ceremonies honoring the Israeli has been playing in suppressing the Palestinian protests, saving: "We Palestmian protests, saying: check or whether the two would compete so evenly that the door can tell that they know what they would be opened to a Jackson tri- are doing now is just as important for the country's future as anything they have done in the past and we are just as proud of them now as we were then.

On Tuesday night, the army

Much of the Palestinian population was being kept indoors again, with 21 of the 27 refugee districts being kept under curfew in hopes preventing any outbursts of demonstrations over the funeral in Damascus on Wednesday of the military chief of the Palestine Lib-

At least one Palestinian was reported shot to death during a clash in the Gaza Strip between stonethrowing protesters and the army in the Nuscirat refugee district. Information from the occupied territories was limited because of the army's actions, but scattered disturbances and some injuries were reported in Gaza and on the West

Mr. Wazir's death in Tunis early squad that burst into his villa and sealed off all of the territories won then escaped is widely presumed to have been the work of a clandestine Ronald Reagan has invited Prime East Jerusalem, forbidding en- Israeli team made up of Mossad Minister Bob Hawke of Australia trance to Israel by Arabs from the agents, naval commandoes skilled (AP, UPI, NYT) for an official visit to Washington. occupied territories until further in landing small boats and a special

and killed.

marked the tribute to the soldiers, sailors, aviators and security men who died establishing and defending the country. Independence Day formally be-

gan on Wednesday night - the two holidays are linked as a reminder of the price paid for the country with the lighting of twelve beacons on Mount Hertzel, symbolizing phrases in the Declaration of Independence

For many Thursday would be spent with families and friends, in the relatively recent tradition of barbecues. On Wednesday night Saturday morning in a hail of ma- the streets in central Jerusalem chine gunfire from an assassination were aswarm with young people engaged in another tradition, hitting each other and anyone else in range over the head with harmless squawking sound.

But, where many of the speeches marn.

notice. Roadblocks on the major highways turned back Arabs coming in and journalists going out.

Much of the Palestinian popula
elite army commando unit reportant the lengthy commemorative articles in Wednesday's papers would normally have been filled publicly maintained silence. News with congratulation and celebraof the slaying sparked widespread tion, instead they reflected the cur-Palestinian protests on Saturday, in rent challenge of the Palestinian which 14 Palestinians were shot unrest and, in some cases, uncertainty.

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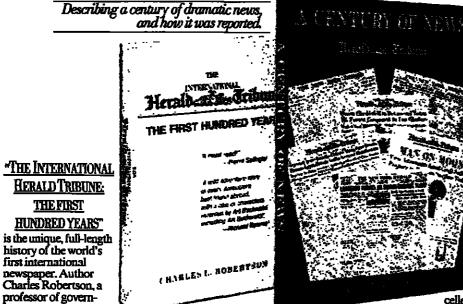
Israeli-backed militiamen killed two Shiite Moslem guerrillas in a gun battle in southern Lebanon early Wednesday. The Associated Press reported from Beirut.

A police spokesman said the militiamen of the South Lebanon Army ambushed six guerrillas of the pro-Iranian Islamic Resistance as they prepared to launch an at-tack south of Jezzine.

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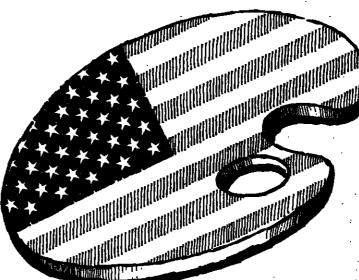
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# **SCIENCE**

# Swarms of Locusts Threatening North Africa

Billions of the insects have already caused extensive damage to crops and are threatening to inflict great harm to the delicate economics of North Africa. Millione of Adulare harm to the the normal pattern would be for the locusts to turn east and head back this way, threatlions of dollars have been spent in the effort, and much more -\$150 million, one official estimated - will be required from meager treasuries.

The invasion is drawing increasing worry from southern European countries, 100. They fear the highly impredictable and mobile insects will be carried across the Mediterranean Sea if not stopped in North

The European Parliament has urged members to help, and the European Community has contributed \$2.5 million. Aid is being provided by at least a dozen institu-tions and countries, including the United States, Canada and the United Nations.

The locusts are an immediate threat to this city. Millions are within a few miles: a few have been spotted on lawns and swarming about. But the biggest concen-trations in Tunisia are southwest of here, breeding and swarming, waiting to travel wherever air currents push them.

Millions more are concentrated in the Atlas Mountain in Morocco where high is in effect a war room, or command center. nel. compeaks have acted as a barrier to their adpeaks have a barrier to their adpeaks have acted as a barrier to the barrier t

T UNIS — Treating it as an invading general alert, said Edouard Saouma, directions, Tunisia. Alerta and Marrakech. "We are in a state of general alert, said Edouard Saouma, directions, and Marrakech." have mobilized to fight the most serious and Agriculture Organization. "Swift and infestation of locusts in over 30 years.

Billions of the incerts have already regional food crisis."

cuing this country more as well as others. Some of the insects have also been spotted in Italy and Malta in recent weeks.

The threat has forced some neighboring countries who have not enjoyed the best of relations into closer cooperation, though not as close as some officials believe is necessary. Algeria and Morocco have momentarily put aside their differences over the Polisario war in the Western Sahara to join in the effort to stem the spread.

A Moroccan official said the nations of the region were discussing establishing a permanent agency specially trained in the latest techniques and utilizing the most modern equipment to battle the locusts.

Representatives of the three countries, along with these form Vision and Marieta. along with those from Libya and Maurita-nia, have held meetings, although some backbiting has been evident. For example,

officials of each have questioned if the

others are making enough of an effort.



insecticide at present to stop them, if there are no new concentrations, but there are a lot of them in Algeria ready to head this

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One expert said he believed that 90 percent of all the locusts in the world were now in North Africa. An official of the Agency for International Development explained that the locusts were part of a normal, continuing cycle that originated in India and Pakistan and headed west over Africa and then back east, breeding and devouring crops.

Millions, sometimes billions of locusts take to the air, usually in the morning, forming what resemble storm clouds that can blacken the sky.

Two years ago, they were a major threat to East Africa, although the number was far lower than this year's outbreak. Civil strile in several of the countries, Sudan and Ethiopia, for example, hampered efforts to control the insects.

"Small numbers are no threat," the AID official said in Rabat. "But given the right climatic condition, they breed like heck. become gregarious, multiply and migrate. Every 10 to 15 years a combination of weather factors favors breeding.

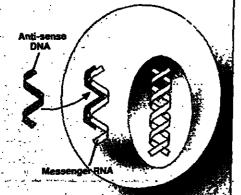
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# Intercepting an Unwanted Messenger

Genes, small segment of DNA, contain the blueprints for proteins When a gene is active, enzymes in a cell make a single-stranded copy of the gene, known as messenger RNA, that leaves the cell nucleus and carries instructions for the formation of a protein. In cancer cells of proteins that make cells grow too fast.

strategy against cancer uses a synthetic strand called anti-sense DNA that exactly matches part of the messenger RNA, inside the cell, the synthetic itself to the RNA and prevents the cell from making the cancer-



# A New Chemotherapy for Cancer?

By Gina Kolata New York Times Service

SMALL but growing group of cancer researchers is hoping to develop a radically new form of cancer chemotherapy. Instead of looking for better ways to kill cancer cells, these scientists are seeking to block the genes that make the cells prolif-

The research, with synthetic substances known as anti-sense DNA, is still far from clinical application, but some experts think it holds

"This is a whole new chemo-therapy," said Dr. Vincent Devita, director of the National Cancer Institute. "It is coming along very, very rapidly. The technology is so superb that now every molecular biologist is a potential therapist." The method may also be used to block genes that make cancer cells

drugs, and might block viral genes that are necessary for viruses to grow in infected cells. In addition, several researchers are experimenting to determine whether anti-sense DNA could prevent the AIDS virus

directs research on new AIDS ther-apies at the National Cancer Insti-But Dr. Paul Miller and his col-cate much faster than normal. tute. "But in AIDS there are a lot of leagues at Johns Hopkins Universitested in patients much sooner."
Anti-sense DNA blocks the ac-

tion of genes indirectly by sticking to and blocking copies of genes, called messenger RNA, that direct the formation of proteins in cells. For example, in cancer cells, genes that direct the cells to make growth-promoting proteins are ac-tive. The cells churn out these proteins, and the proteins make the cells divide too rapidly.

The first step for the cancer cells in making these proteins is to copy the gene, a stretch of DNA, into a strand of messenger RNA. The cell reads the genetic message of the messenger RNA and synthesizes the growth-promoting proteins.
Anti-sense DNA is a strand that senger RNA. It enters the cell, sticks to part of the messenger RNA, and prevents production of When they first tried to use anti-

sense DNA several years ago, re-searchers were frustrated by the The AIDS work is at a very early natural tendency of cells to degrade always active in growing cells, Dr. others are optimistic. "There are stage. "I think it is an interesting foreign DNA. As soon as a piece of Neckers said. In many kinds of still many questions but they do idea," said Dr. Samuel Broder, who anti-sense DNA entered a cell, encancer cells, the gene is grossly seem to work," he said.

the anti-sense DNA fragments so that they would remain intact when they entered cells.

Other researchers devised variations so that now, "there are an almost infinite variety of possible ways to attach different groups to DNA," said Dr. Jack Cohen of the National Cancer Institute.

In their studies of cancer cells, researchers have focused so far on blocking genes that make the cells grow and divide rapidly, without the usual controls.

For example, Dr. Cohen, Dr. Leonard Neckers and Dr. Cy Stein of the National Cancer Institute and Dr. Eric Wickstrom of the University of South Florida in Tampa block genes that make cancer cells

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cate much faster than normal. "Almost any type of cancer ty discovered a way of modifying might turn up" when myc is overactive, Dr. Wickstrom said.

Other investigators are testing anti-sense DNA against AIDS. They find that they can block viral genes and prevent the virus from replicating in cells in laboratory

But Broder said he was not sure that the anti-sense DNA would be a practical therapy for AIDS. Even if it suppressed the virus in patients, it is very expensive because it is made with laboratory equipment that is not meant to produce the huge quantities needed for therapeutic applications. Moreover, it is not a cure, he said. In order to keep the virus suppressed, a patient would have to continuously take the drug, "Clinical researchers have normal gene that often shows up in multiple copies or in abnormal positions in cancer cells where it can avoid the usual controls on its functioning.

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in the meantime, Dr. Cohen and

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# IN BRIEF

## Acid Moss Linked to Tree Deaths

WASHINGTON (WP) - It isn't always acid rain itself that kills trees, a University of Colorado scientist has found. Often it is the "lethal moss" that thrives in soils made more acid by the rain. If mosses grow too thickly under a tree, he determined, their ability to absorb and hold water can keep the soil so waterlogged that the tree roots get little or none of the oxygen they need. This is the same reason so many houseplants die from

Also the mosses create additional acidity. With acid from the rain, this washes deeper into the soil, breaking down various mineral compounds to release metal atoms which are toxic to tree roots. "There has never been conclusive evidence that acid rain is directly killing the trees in any study area," said Lee Klinger, a research assistant at Colorado's Institute for Arctic and Alpine Research. "My evidence shows that it is primarily these lethal mosses that are killing trees, although acid rain appears to speed up

The worst culprit among mosses is sphagnum moss, the kind in peat

## Lightning Makes Nitrogen Usable

WASHINGTON (WP) — Scientists appear to have answered finally one of those basic, simple questions about how the world works that has long eluded them: What is the source of the nitrogen compounds that living things need to survive?

Nitrogen comprises 78 percent of the Earth's atmosphere, and all living things need it as all the fundamental molecules of life contain it. But, oddly, most living things can't just take what they need out of the air. The nitrogen to be useful, must be "fixed," or combined with other atoms that allow it to be taken up and used by living cells.

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Until now, bacteria in the soil have been thought the chief heroes of nitrogen capture and fixation, followed by the manufacture of fertilizer, and the use of fossil fuel. All make usable nitrogen compounds. But Edward Franzblau and Carl Popp of the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology reported at the recent meeting of the American Chemical Society in Lat Versas that lightning treat he the matter and the property in the second meeting of the American Chemical Society in Las Vegas that lightning may be the number one source of fixed nitrogen in the world.

Dr. Franzblau and others have during the past two summers worked at Langmuir Laboratory for Atmospheric Research to measure the amount of nitrogen fixation produced by flashes of lightning. They measured the amount of lightning fixed by the 100 or so flashes that occur every second on the earth, and came up with a huge quantity of fixed nitrogen, many times the previous estimates for lightning's contribution.

Earlier estimates had been made largely from lab work, not actual atmospheric measurement, Dr. Franzblan said.

## Wild Bean Gene May Foil Weevils

NEW YORK (NYT) - A gene found in a wild bean plant from Mexico may soon be added to the list of new biological approaches to pest control. By breeding the gene into cultivated bean plants, United States researchers have been able to introduce a natural resistance to the bean weevil, a major threat to stored beans.

Unless stored beans are furnigated with a chemical pesticide, weevils often eat as much as 15 percent of them before they reach the pot. Since dry beans provide half or more of the protein for much of the world's population, an inexpensive way to prevent such losses is of major social and economic significance.

The gene causes beans to produce a protein called arcelin that is highly

# **Enzyme Clue to Brain Cell Movement**

NEW YORK (NYT) - Sperm cells and brain cells use the same

enzyme for movement, a recent study has shown. Dr. Richard Vallee and his associates at the Worcester Foundation for Experimental Biology in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts, have found that a protein they had previously discovered in brain cells is actually the same as an enzyme that is in the tails of sperm cells and that is used to produce

their whip-like movements. Reporting in a recent issue of the British journal Nature, Dr. Vallee and his colleagues proposed that the sperm enzyme, dynein, could be responsible for movements necessary for cell division and for the transport of chemicals within brain cells and other cells.



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# Hostilities in the Gulf

## The Larger Purpose

On all counts but one, the U.S. military action in the Gulf was a success. It was a necessary response to a provocative act of Iranian mine-laying; it fit the offense; it showed the U.S. Navy in good form (against, to be sure, a pesky but weak naval power); it made Iran pay a price. The Reagan adminis-tration's advance consultations left Congress purring. American losses were low.

In the most important aspect, nonetheless, the incident was not a success. There is as yet no sign that Iran has decided to wrap up its war with Iraq on the terms that the United States has been supporting. It is true that the U.S. Navy and other friendly navies have been serving an immediate mission of protecting shipping in the Gulf. But the larger purpose has been to win Iranian consent to the calls of the United Nations for a cease-fire and political settlement, and that purpose remains unmet.

Iran has suffered reverses in Monday's. naval action and in Iraq's concurrent recapture of Faw, and remains vulnerable to lraq's superior air and missile attacks. But Iran retains the advantages that its large population and revolutionary fervor confer on it in the principal land theater, and Iraq seems no closer to converting recent tactical gains into broad relief. Despite their vaunted "new thinking," moreover, the Soviets

#### The Right Response

Based on what is known, Washington appears to have responded correctly to Iran's renewed mining of Gulf sea-lanes. The U.S. naval attack on the Iranian oil platforms seems a proportionate response, and it was Tehran's decision to escalate by firing missiles and downing a U.S. helicopter gunship. Only in retaliation did American forces destroy Iranian ships.

The Reagan administration was reported to be surprised by Ayatollah Khomeini's decision to escalate. Words like "irrational" are uttered reflexively whenever Iran does anything unexpected. But if the ayatollah did not appraise odds coldly, his regime would not have endured. He may have wanted to distract his people from the Iraqi victory at Faw. Perhaps he calculated that the United

States would tear itself apart again over Iran. Whatever the ayatollah's thinking, he needs to understand that force will serve mainly to further unite Americans behind President Reagan's policy of maintaining a powerful U.S. naval presence in the Gulf Creditably, the Reagan administration is

consulting and reporting to Congress, not ignoring it. The next wise step would be for Congress and the president to act fully in accordance with the War Powers Act. The law calls for invoking certain procedures when U.S. forces are near involvement in combat. Resort to the act would even bene-

continue to put a narrow interest in appeas-ing Iran ahead of the obligation they assumed to join the United States and others in imposing an arms embargo on Iran for its rejection of a UN cease-fire. That leaves Washington with a modest

military success but with no apparent progress in confining, let alone ending, the Gulf war. Further, the United States is increasing-ly embarrassed by Iraq, its ostensible part-ner. In March, for instance, the Iraqis killed as many as 5,000 people with chemical weapons. The United States condemned the atrocity — not Iraq's first — but, to keep the diplomatic focus on the broader war, pre-vented Iran from raising the chemical ques-tion as a special item of Security Council debate. Now, claim the Iranians, Iraq is

employing chemicals again. In the Gulf war it was Iraq that first sent troops across a border, seizing a moment when Iran seemed to be distracted by its revolution. Iraq has set the pace in carrying the war to cities, to civilians and to innocent shipping. Iraq continues the barbaric prac-tice of chemical warfare, and may also be expressing contempt for American objec-tions to it. The rationale for Washington's partnership with the Baghdad regime has always been to contain the spread of Iran's fundamentalist revolution, but Iraq is making it increasingly hard to keep that in mind. - THE WASHINGTON POST.

fit the administration by demonstrating U.S. unity. It is also a way of making legislators share political responsibility. Instead the White House denounces the mea-

sure as unconstitutional. After a shaky start with the reflagging of Kuwaiti oil tankers, the Gulf operation has proved effective. It has cleared out mines, kept Gulf sea-lanes open and helped rally support from a growing fleet of British, French, Dutch, Belgian and Italian vessels. This Western presence has frustrated Iran's efforts to choke off Arab help to Iraq in the deadlocked war. It has shored up vulnerable Gulf states and, up to this point, contributed to hopes for UN action to end the war.

Iran may argue that Washington has now clearly chosen sides to the extent of aiding Iraq's apparent breakthrough in the Faw Peninsula. But there is no American "side" in this conflict, especially given Iraq's ruthless use of poison gas, its aerial assaults on Tehran and its sinking of a U.S. frigate. The American interest is to see an end to the war, not an Iraqi victory.

With or without use of the War Powers Act, Iran ought not to expect to divide America. President Reagan blundered by secretly selling arms to Iran and botched the early days of U.S. naval buildup in the Gulf, but policy and operations have been put in order. As long as the White House shows firmness and restraint, it deserves support.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

# Virtuoso of the Center

No way, people all along have said about Michael Dukakis. No charisma. No color. Not even any passionate positions. Just platitudes like "Strength, experience and ability," or "I want to be a great builder." What kind of Democrat is that? they asked. What kind of candidate? Now they know: a successful one. With his clean triumph Tuesday in New York, Mr. Dukakis establishes himself as his party's probable presidential nominee. See, he can say to all those who have scorned his

lack of message, that's precisely the message. Typically, primaries are won by passionate partisans. Republican candidates usually turn right and Democrats turn left. A good part of Jesse Jackson's strong showing in New York and elsewhere surely arises because of his eloquence in championing liberal values that transcend race.

To please partisans in the spring, however, is the easy part. Among Democrats, says the political analyst Douglas Schoen, charisma inevitably means left-wing. Repeatedly they have had trouble turning back to the center fast enough once the primaries are over. That is one way to understand Mr. Duka-

kis's accomplishment. He has, for sure, occasionally yielded to local passions, as in Michigan where he played to the concerns of unemployed factory workers by endorsing protectionist trade legislation. He has leaned left on national security issues, as in his positions on new strategic missiles. But for the most part he has kept his balance.

Who, Republican or Democrat, could object to goals like staying strong against terrorism, "good jobs at good wages," basic bealth insurance and a real war on drugs? Not much red meat for partisans there and again, that's just the point.

Despite urgings to paint himself more colorfully, Mr. Dukakis has remained centrist also in manner. He has so resolutely resisted criticizing Jesse Jackson as to attract criticism himself. When stung by Albert Gore about a supposed blunder, he could not resist a sarcastic swipe, but otherwise he moved the discussion forward.

That this calm, careful man won in New York does not guarantee the nomination. But there is no reason to think that other, similar stops on the campaign trail — Penn-sylvania, Ohio, New Jersey — will flare up as hotbeds of extremism. Governor Dukakis's centrist pattern should serve him as well there as in New York.

Will it do so come November, by which time the nominees will have sharpened their differences? The Daily News asked New York voters of both parties for their choice as president. The result was Michael Dukakis 47 percent, George Bush 37 percent. That result in April in a Democratic state has no predictive value for November, but it has value. It demonstrates how Mr. Dukakis has, as a man of the center, made himself the man of the hour.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

## Other Comment

# Waiting for the Tooth Fairy

The American political system carries a "for sale" sign. Winning office more often than not comes down to money, not ideas. Once elected, those we have put in office are frequently called upon to make decisions that affect the special interests that helped put them there. The result is an inefficient political system, increasingly unable to say no to anyone. We have a Congress that believes that the way to trim the deficit is to sell public assets, make cosmetic cuts in entitlements and defense and rely on the tooth fairy to make up the rest.

Serious efforts to come to grips with the difficult, emotionally charged issues like health care, welfare reform, crime, illiteracy, drug addiction, teen-age pregnancy, racial tensions, excessive litigation and

other factors that make America uncompetitive are almost nonexistent. America is becoming uncompetitive because, in the words of the Roman historian Livy, "We can bear neither our ills nor their cures." Richard Lamm, former governor of Colorado, in U.S. News & World Report.

## Perestroika and Cambodia

Hanoi has prevailed over the South and its neighbors. But that success has been offset by a bankrupt economy. Russia wants to cut its costs. It has better uses for scare resources at home. Without continuing large-scale Soviet support. Vietnam cannot sustain its military occupation and the Soviet economy may at last provide the extra pressure needed to remove Vietnam's occupation of Cambodia. — The Bangkok Post.

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# **OPINION**

# In the Gulf the Floating Targets Have Done Their Job response" with respect to our Gulf activities. One would imagine that

By James H. Webb Jr.

The writer was President Reagan's secretary of the navy from February 1987 until he resigned over policy differences in February this year.

Monday reminds us of three recurring truisms that have yet to be resolved in American security policy. The first is that we proceed from crisis to crisis without clearly stated national goals. targets that are invitations to an inreacting to, rather than controlling, the diplomatic environment in which ternational incident. Last week the Iranians took the administration up we work. The second is that our national political leaders have yet to comprehend the proper way to use force, and by seeking to minimize the risk of casualties in the short term vastly increase those risks over the long term. And the third is that the military commanders and troops in the field continue to serve their nait appears that two frigates are de-stroyed, a guided missile PT boat is sunk and a number of Boghammar tional leaders far better than their

P ARIS—The essence of naval power is mobility, and this is a basic reason for the strong biparti-

san support in the United States for U.S. naval

reprisals against Iran's attacks on shipping in the Gulf. People take it for granted that the United States is not making irreversible commitments, that the fleet could be pulled back if necessary, and that

This is true, but only to a point. U.S. ships could be ordered out of the Gulf with a single message from Washington. But who will take the responsibil-

ity to give that order if there has been a heavy

investment of U.S. prestige and political credibility?
The momentum inevitably is in the other direction, toward an enlarged commitment, in order to validate earlier commitments. Both Richard Nixon

and the late Lyndon Johnson could say a word

about how that process works. And neither of them,

when they escalated the American commitment in Indochina, were broyed by today's conviction in Washington that nothing irreversible is being done. There is a problem in the Gulf that has never

been resolved by the Reagan administration. U.S.

attacks on Iranian targets since Sunday night have,

as the president says, been measured, prudent and provoked. But what is the American deployment in

It is supposed to show the flag, reassure Kuwait

and other moderate Arab states, defend innocent

the Gulf really intended to accomplish?

Washington remains in control of events.

national leaders serve them.

The U.S. Navy has operated with exceptional skill in the Gulf, despite the administration's introduction of an unwieldy and in some cases inappropriate force structure, and despite tant to remember the oil platforms, its hesitance to use its forces as other because they were the only intended

on that invitation, again sowing a mine field in international waters an act of war — and scoring a hit on an American warship. The superb skill of the crew saved the ship. Retaliatory acts occurred this week, and in the end the Iranian navy was dealt a serious sethack navy was dealt a serious setback. The numbers are still coming in, but

gunboats are done away with. Oh, yes. And we also shot the hell out of two oil platforms. It is impornow basking in the glory of a military success that it did not direct.

ministration again chose a minimal course of retaliation against Iran, one that in itself would neither have de-

The U.S. Fleet Can Always Sail Away — or Can It?

By William Pfaff

inability to do anything on a small scale. Clearly there was an intention to "send a message" to Iran. What message? That Iran must compromise in the Gulf war or accept defeat? Why? Because Amer-

ica will intervene in the war if it does not? There is

no evidence whatever that the American people

would accept a serious involvement in this war, or

that this administration would try to intervene. But

This week's incidents were not caused by Iranian

attacks on merchant shipping, which the presence of

the Western fleet was supposed to deter. Those have never stopped. The United States attacked Iranian

sea platforms in retaliation for new mining which

damaged a ship of the U.S. fleet, the frigate Samuel B. Roberts. Washington acted in defense of the fleet

that is defending merchant shipping, while mer-chant shipping continues to be attacked.

The contradictions are obvious. The underlying problem is that this administration puts its confi-

dence in the indirect effects of military power

while neglecting the cost-benefit calculation of

power projection and the actual political limits on American military power in the Gulf. Iran is supposed to be intimidated by the Ameri-

can fleet because the Iranians are expected to count

what then is Washington's message?

than diplomatic symbols, floating targets of an administration that is

terred the Iranians nor insulated our sailors from further actions by Iran. Conducting target practice on a couple of oil platforms was hardly designed to send chills up the spine of the average Iranian sailor, particular-ly those who make a living laying mines. Nor would it have affected the ability of the Iranian military to

As we examine the superb performance of the navy this week, it should be remembered that the ad-

tion that should have been taken five months ago and the only type of acsecurity of our forces in the Gulf.

the U.S. intervention in the Gulf. Defense Secretary Frank Carlucci said again on Monday that "we hope that Iran will draw the appropriate lesson from this

[reprisal] and cease its attacks on peaceful inter-national shipping in the Gulf." What possibly could lead him to think that Iran will draw such a

lesson? Nothing that has happened since the Iranian revolution can justify such a belief.

Iran's leadership is generally thought divided between pragmatists and ideological radicals. The erratic behavior of the Kuwait Airways hijackers

has seemed further indication of that. But internal

division inhibits "rational" policy-making because

all those contending for power are driven by inter-nal political considerations, not external threats.

Moreover, if those external threats are ultimately

Iranian society is under horrendous stress from

a war which has been going on now for eight years. It still is a revolutionary society, in the grip of popular religious revival — a revival in which

conceptions of martyrdom and of "the martyr

nation" play a fundamental role. The Iranians simply do not count the way Mr. Carlucci counts. Where does that leave American forces in the Gulf? In a militarily powerful position, obvious-

ly, but also in an exposed one. The U.S. govern-

ment's freedom of action is constrained by do-

hollow, it may also be rational to defy them.

to communicate its foreign policy to the world — and just possibly, as in Beirut, to win the tragedy sweepstakes and put America on its ear. As it was, a few foolhardy Iranians

got in the way of the work on the oil platforms, a few others attacked a U.S.-owned nighout and a Panamanian barge with U.S. citizens aboard, and then two frigates attempted to null out of port at Bandar Abbas pull out of port at Bandar Abbas, firing a stray round or two at some American aircraft. Local commanders determined that "hostile intent" existed in each case, and the Iranian naval assets were all quickly destroyed. In other words, military command-

ers on the scene took the type of action that the administration has been too

fearful to direct itself, the type of action that can ensure the operational again perform an aggressive mission at the time and place of its choosing, using American warships and sailors

security of our forces in the Gulf.

The administration has carefully nurtured the notion of "proportional"

25 years of failure would be enough for any concept. Proportional response doomed the American effort in Vietnam, enabling the enemy to adjust continually, and even to con-

adjust continually, and even to control the tempo of the war.

Those in the military who watched
Vietnamese railroad tracks and
bridges destroyed (and then quickly
replaced) in exchange for attacks on
people know full well that the detention of Iranian oil platforms in struction of Iranian oil platforms in exchange for attacks on people will not work. The way to eliminate minelaying is not to blow up oil platforms. or even to continually sweep mines. It is to eliminate the mine-layers. If we are not prepared to do so, we have no moral right to expose dozens of U.S. ships and thousands of U.S. lives to the consequences of our cowardice,

Politicians adore proportional response. It gives them the best of both worlds. On the one hand they are supporting retaliatory action. On the supporting retaliatory action. On the other they are not supporting the type of action that will cause them to be accused of being, well, warlike, But military people detest proportional response, and in my view quite rightly so. It is like kicking the shins of a men with a machine sun. Von deof a man with a machine gun. You do not take his capabilities away, and you do not demonstrate to him that you are serious about using your own capabilities. And you must nervously await his reaction, at the time and

place of his choosing.

It is quite conceivable that the Iranians did not even marginally comprehend the power of our military until it destroyed half of their navy in a few hours. Such lack of comprehend the power of their navy in a few hours. Such lack of comprehends the power of their political machine. sion directly affects political machinations, and the Reagan administration's leaders are at fault for not having made the Iranians aware sooner. If retaliatory force is necessary, it must be properly directed, but it must also be ruthless and overpowering. It must anticipate an adversary's next move, and pre-empt it. After the mine-laying incident of

last October, appropriate use of force would have called for the elimination of much of Iran's navy, particularly its mine-laying assets. Instead the mine-layer that was intercepted was sunk after some debate as to whether it might be better to give it back. If we had taken appropriate action last fall, it is questionable whether the frigate Samuel B. Roberts would have been damaged last week.

There is, of course, another alternative readily available. Our Gulf op-erations have been conducted under the umbrella of a hazily defined set of national goals, without a clear articulation of when these responsibilities will end. It is rather disingenuous to justify current force levels by continually chanting that we have been in the Gulf for 40 years, since 38 or 39 of those years saw an American presence of two or three noncombetants.

narrowing our military objectives to an essentially neutral policy of protecting U.S. interests in international waterways. What we have not done is logical conclusion.

Now that we have demonstrated our naval capabilities to Iran, and at the same time destroyed much of its navy, we can afford to take a much clare victory, put Iran on harsh no-tice and markedly reduce our naval

such as ours is its ability to concentrate forces during crisis and then disappear back into the sea when the crisis is resolved. This allows diplomacy to be tested without offering up our naval assets as convenient targets, and also would enable us to control the initiative if military force again became necessary.

#### passage by international shipping, certainly. But each of those things might have been done in a less costly way, with less risk to lives and ships. Somethe American ships, count their own, conclude that remains in the hands of the Iranians, whose their own forces are hopelessly outclassed, and yield. calculations are peculiarly their own. It is not, when you examine it, a comfortable position. They are supposed to be reasonable. thing more lay behind the huge scale of the deploy-ment — beyond a congenital American mintary International Herald Tribune. © Los Angeles Times Sydicate. Reliance on this rational model of adversary

behavior has been apparent from the beginning of

Philippines: Feudal Inertia as Pressure Builds

MANILA — "Here is a land in which a few are spectacularly rich while the masses remain abjectly poor ... where freedom and its blessings are a reality for a minority and an illusion for the many ... a land consecrated to democracy but

run by an entrenched phitocracy ... a land of privilege and rank -a republic dedicated to equality but mired in an archaic system of caste." That eloquent description of the Philippines was written 20 years ago

by Benigno Aquino Jr., whose assination in August 1983 inspired his widow, Corazon, to topple the Marcos autocracy and gain the presidency herself. his domiayai was not only accu-

rate then. It could have depicted the tional oligarchy that former Presicountry a generation before he dent Ferdinand Marcos had shoved spoke, and it is still valid despite the aside to make way for his cronies. hopes raised by Mrs. Aquino when, to the astonishment of the world, she won office in February 1986. Her personal popularity notwithstanding, she has disappointed a modest innovations. To go into rural number of her early supporters, who

fall of the profligate Marcos regime. Their disenchantment, however, stems largely from their inflated ex- tour of his sugar estates. His laborers

anticipated drastic changes after the

By Stanley Karnow

pectations. Mrs. Aquino's performance in the past two and a half years has been creditable. She has promulgated a new constitution, held legislative and local elections and, above all, survived several coup attempts. Barring an upheaval, she is likely to finish her term in 1992. But her achievements pale beside

the profound and pervasive problems that plague the country. The problems lie in the fabric of a society that is fragmented and to an extraordinary extent still feudal. Mrs. Aquino and her backers

called her emergence a revolution. In reality it was the revival of the tradi The restoration is visible in the renewed authority of the old dynasties, including Mrs. Aquino's family, many of which are resisting even areas, as I do frequently, is to observe conditions that are nearly medieval.

On the island of Negros not long ago, I accompanied a landlord on a earn a dollar a day when they work, live in flimsy bamboo huts without electricity or plumbing and subsist on rice and fish. The landlord, who lives in a comfortable house in town, is not an evil man. He feels responsible for his laborers, lends them money and presides at the baptisms of their babies. But he opposes agrarian reforms that would "disrupt the system" — and his power.
I recently saw a similar situation

in the central Luzon province of Nueva Ecija, where thousands of poor peasants had rallied behind a Communist-led rebellion back in land of their own. The uprising was crushed but the government in Manila learned nothing from it. The families of the same peasant rebels are still landless, and many of their sons and daughters have joined a corollary, widespread poverty, are new and more effective Communist insurgency that has spread throughout the archipelago.

History is partly accountable. The Spanish, who ruled the Philippines for 350 years, gave it little more than Catholicism. The United States,

of the century, left a dramatically different legacy. American teachers taught English to the Filipinos, and American officials introduced the trappings of democratic institutions.
But the U.S. colonial experience was limited. Starting with William Howard Taft, the first American civilian governor, the United States administration of the United States istered the Philippines through the upper classes, thereby reinforcing the privileges of the elite. The same self-perpetuating elite is prominent today. It is determined to retain its prerogatives, even at the

which annexed the islands at the turn

expense of the society as a whole. Mrs. Aquino cannot be faulted structure. Her goal has been to assure stability, not to trigger an up-heaval. Evolution rather than revolution is her objective. But population growth and its

creating pressures that make gradual change a luxury. So this land of "traumatic contrasts," as her late husband wrote, may be challenged by more spectacular challenges then he ever imagined.

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The Washington Post.

# Democrats Reply: The Candidates Face the Nuclear Question

By Charles Martin

The Reverend Martin is chairman of the Peace Commission of the

Episcopal Diocese of Washington. He helped prepare the commission's report, "The Nuclear Dilemma," which was published last year.

WASHINGTON — Two months ago, the Peace Commission of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington mailed a questionnaire to each presi-dential candidate. We asked them to

answer four basic questions about nuclear weapons and arms control. Our hope was that the candidates might be prepared to talk honestly about the most profound issue the next president will face: Is the use of nuclear weapons morally justifiable, and is it possible to abolish them?

We received answers from Michael Dukakis, Albert Gore and Jesse Jackson responding to each of our ques-tions in some detail. The likely Re-publican nominee, George Bush, also sent a response, but it was a general statement of his positions on arms control and did not respond directly to the questions we had posed. (For this reason, Vice President Bush's

comments are not included here.) Here are excerpts from what the Democratic candidates had to say: Do you believe it would ever be morally justified to "push the button?"

Michael Dukakis: "I want a world

where the very prospect of nuclear catastrophe is as close to zero as possible. However, I don't believe that a president can flatly rule out the pos-sibility of a first use of nuclear weapons in response to an overwhelming conventional attack on the United States or our allies. Our NATO commander has said that, given the current conventional balance in Europe, we might be forced to use nuclear weapons within a few days after an invasion by the Warsaw Pact. We and our allies must move away from this posture of 'early first use' by strengthening our conventional forces, focusing on improving readiness and sustainability."

Albert Gore: "While we in the United States rightly dread nuclear

weapons, we must recognize that there may be times when their use is

necessary - and therefore morally

justified — to protect our own secu-

rity or that of our allies. As terrible

cumstances warrant. What are these circumstances? One would be the use of nuclear weapons in retaliation for a direct attack upon the United States. We are also pledged to use nuclear

that the president will act if the cir-

weapons in the defense of our allies if that is the only alternative to complete defeat and if they wish it.
"Finally, I believe the highest moral consideration is to design nuclear forces that are resistant to a first strike and therefore would not have to be used unless the president

was certain beyond a shadow of a doubt that the time had come." Jesse Jackson: "Historically, the moral justification for war has been that the ends justify the means. In the nuclear age, the means would eliminate the ends. Pushing the nuclear button cannot be morally justified."

Do you believe that the abolition of nuclear weapons would ever be a practical possibility? If not, why not? If so, how would you practically move toward that goal? Michael Dukakis: "It is unrealistic to think — or to promise — that nuclear weapons can be eliminated entirely. But we must strive for the lowest possible level consistent with

our national security and work to create a world in which the chance of their use is drastically diminished." Albert Gore: "I would like to be-lieve that it would one day be possible to abolish nuclear weapons entirely, but we would have to overcome stag-gering technical problems as well as bring about a fundamental change in the thinking of all the nuclear powers

— and potential nuclear powers."

Jesse Jackson: "The abolition of nu-

clear weapons may become a practical possibility, but only if we begin to take as such a decision would be, our steps now to reduce nuclear arsenals. safety depends upon the certainty in The INF Treaty is an important but It offers an impossible technological steps now to reduce nuclear arsenals.

the mind of any potential attacker limited first step. A second step would be a moratorium — and then a han on the testing of nuclear weapons and flight testing of missiles. We should suspend the development of new nuclear weapons and challenge the Soviets to do the same."

Is the development of SDI justified militarity, economically and morally, and for what specific purpose?
Michael Dukakis: "The Reagan administration's SDI program is a

fantasy — a technological illusion fantasy — a technological illusion long ago to work together on inter-which most scientists say cannot be achieved in the foreseeable future. on cooperation in space, on world The defenses they envision won't make the United States more secure — they will simply fuel the arms race, as each new system produces a countersystem, with no increased security. Deploying defenses could make nu-clear war more, not less, likely.

"I support continued research on strategic defenses at about the funding level in 1983 - before the president announced his Strategic Defense Initiative — as long as the research is consistent with the ABM Treaty. This will permit the United States to guard against a Soviet breakout from the treaty and to conduct basic scientific research, without threatening the treaty itself."

Albert Gore: "I'm sure that President Reagan sincerely believes he is acting with the best of purposes in looking to SDI as a way to permanently end the threat of mutual nuclear annihilation. But he is wrong — wrong because SDI is not feasible, wrong because it would entail exorbitant costs and, most important, wrong because it would make the possibility of

a nuclear first strike more likely." Jesse Jackson: "No, the develop-ment of SDI isn't justified militarily, economically or morally. Star wars is a cruel hoax and I don't support its

defense but an arms race in the heavens. Space-based weapons will generate counterweapons which will generate ate counter-protective weapons which will generate first-strike space plans. Our coffers will be robbed; our science distorted; our insecurity increased." To your mind, how does the biblical injunction, "Thou shalt love thine ene-

my as thyself" apply to U.S. relations with the Soviet Union? Michael Dukakis: "There is nothing inevitable about conflict between the United States and the Soviet Union. We should have begun hunger, on the environment."
Albert Gore: "The president must

always remember that he is dealing

1888: Roumanian Revolt

solution to a political problem. It will cost over a trillion dollars if pursued, and in the end will not produce a country and the Soviet et Union alike. He must remember that even though we have our differ-ences with the Soviet government, our peoples have a common yearning for peace. And he must understand that a nuclear war could bring about death and suffering on a scale never seen before in human history."

Jesse Jackson: "The Golden Rule establishes equality and justice as a foundation of relationships. To have peace in this world requires an equal relationship with the Soviet Union, determined by having a balance of power economically, politically and militarily. The Golden Rule rejects domination of one individual by another, and, if applied to countries, one state by another. Our relationship with the Soviet Union cannot be based on the domination of one over the other." The Washington Post.

# 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

VIENNA - Not only has the Roumanian Government not succeeded in suppressing the agrarian revolt, but this has now spread to a quite unexpected extent, and has, indeed, assumed enormous proportions. The rebels not only continue to pillage the houses of the well-to-do and to murder their occupants when these resist, but they have now taken to destroy-ing the railway lines and to plunder-ing the trains. Military arsenals and storehouses in various parts of the country have also been sacked by the infuriated peasants, who have possessed themselves of arms and am-munition for the purpose of resisting the regular troops sent against them.

1913: Vienna Spy Case VIENNA - What is believed to be

a great stir in Vienna. It involves Lieutenant Zedomil Zandric, one of the most trusted officers attached to the General Staff, and his brother Alexander, who have been placed under arrest on a charge of having sold to Russia documents concerning.
Austro-Hungarian defenses, particularly plans of the fortifications of Cracow and Przemysł, two of the keys to the Galician frontier.

1938: Spying in Britain

LONDON — Espionage in England has doubled since the launching of the rearmament program, according to "The Star" (on April 20]. The British Parliament has redoubled appropriations for the government Service Department in the last two years, and the Army, Navy and Air Force have increased syndiament as Force have increased expenditures on one of the most serious cases ever brought to light in Austria-Hungary of the betrayal to a foreign Power of important military secrets is causing mental affairs in public places.

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# **OPINION**

# Dukakis: Climbing the Hill \* One Ridge After the Other

By David S. Broder

N EW YORK — Andy Spano, the In Iowa he could finish no better than Westchester County clerk, has been third. In the next few weeks he lost around Democratic politics long enough to have a keen ear for the muance of Simon, Albert Gore and Mr. Jackson stayed hot. But another. Mr. Jackson stayed hot. But word you hear most often about Michael Dukakis is, 'He's acceptable.' That's not a kiss on the mouth, but I guess if enough people say you're acceptable, at some point you become inevitable."

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That is exactly what has happened with the governor of Massachusetts. His victory in Tuesday's New York primary, achieved with a minimum of enthusiasm, has almost assured him of winning the

He understands that persistence can carry you from being acceptable to being inevitable.

Democratic presidential nomination, barring some massive gaffe on his part. We, Dukakis has moved through more than 40 contests, has eliminated six of his original seven challengers and has made himself a formidable contender for the general election without once rousing the emotions of an audience hich did not contain large numbers of his fellow Greek-Americans.

He said when he announced his candidacy last April 29 that the race was a marathon and he was a guy who had run the Boston marathon while still at Brook-line High. To call him a plodder is to give him a label he may not cherish. But, in the words of the old refrain, he has won largely by "keepin" on keepin" on."
In retrospect, it is being said of Mr.
Dukakis that he beat a field of mediocrities and that his victory was inevitable.

They were not and it was not. When he got into the race, Gary Hart was the front-runner and Mario Cuomo was the only man that many Democrats could see as an alternative. Mr. Hart diddled himself out of the race and Mr. Cuomo dithered so long that he never got into it. But that certainly did not make Mr. Dukakis the favorite.

He was a little guy with a big nose and an odd-sounding name—anything but the stereotyped presidential model. For a long while he trailed Jesse Jackson in the polls. His rivals were either private citizens or Capitol Hill legislators with unlimited passes, while he was a governor with a mischievous legislature who had to put in his hours at the State House every week.

The political calendar was stacked against him. The first contest, which would draw heavy media attention, was in Iowa, whose farm and rural issues were far outside the ken of a city boy like Mr. Dukakis. The biggest battleground was Super Tuesday in the South, where an ethnic liberal from Massachusetts would appear to be a fish out of water. In fact Mr. Dukakis was beaten a lot.

major contests to Dick Gephardt, Paul Mr. Dukakis kept on keeping on.

It helped immensely, of course, that he was the best-financed contender from day one, thanks to the business base of properous Massachusetts and the generosity of his fellow Greek-Americans. It helped, too, that he had built a good organization at home and had access to tested veterans of past Mondale and Kennedy campaigns

But none of this would have mattered had Mr. Dukakis not had his toughness and self-discipline. In a year when nei-ther the voters nor the media were ready to supply "momentum" to any of the Democratic contenders, it was the capacity of the old marathoner to keep moving forward that proved critical.

moving forward that proved critical.

That self-discipline showed early, in the greatest crisis of the campaign, when his longtime manager, strategist, political alter ego and friend, John Sasso, confessed that he had concealed his role in distributing damaging information about another presidential contender, Joe Biden, Mr. Dukakis got the bad news of the deception from Mr. Sasso at 4:30 one afternoon. Two hours later he went our afternoon. Two hours later he went out and played the trumpet and clowned at a huge Boston fund-raiser, concealing his private turmoil from his supporters.

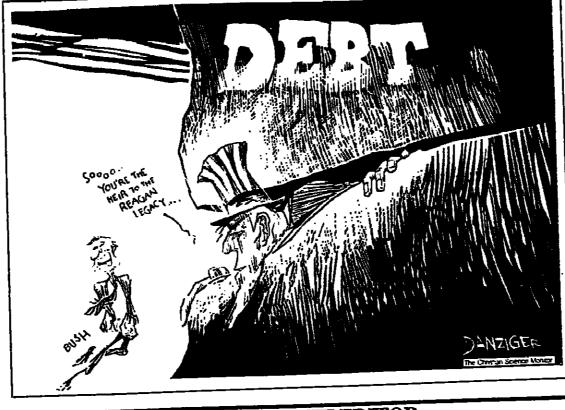
The next day the news became public, Mr. Sasso resigned and a pale, distraught Michael Dukakis apologized publicly to Mr. Biden and his backers. The day after that Mr. Dukakis picked up his schedule in Connecticut and collected the endorsements of the Democratic legislative leaders who six months later would help him win that state's primary.

A candidate so inner-directed, so self-

controlled does not engender great warmth. When he is as lacking is humor and oratorical skills as Mr. Dukakis is, he can seem almost robot-like. Mr. Dukakis has rarely opened his arms or his heart to the voters or stretched himself heart to the voters or stretched ministres to do more than he finds comfortable.

After a particularly stunning loss to Mr. Jackson in Michigan, he did make a stronger, more personal appeal to voters in Wisconsin — and they responded. But here in New York, with its seedling racial, religious and tribal passions, he ran strictreligious and tribal passions, he ran strictly a rope-a-dope campaign, letting the voters find their way to him as the "ac-

ceptable" alternative to Mr. Jackson. That kind of cool, emotionless, efficient way of winning may prove to be a weakness in the general election. It is hard to see that Mr. Dukakis has touched the heart of the Democratic coalition in either the industrial states or the South. But the one thing you know about him is that he will be in the race all the way, keeping on keeping on. Others have learned what he always understood: Persistence can carry you from being acceptable to being inevitable. The Washington Post.



# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

People Beyond the Beltway

I was disturbed by a recent statement by Elliott Abrams, the U.S. assistant secretary of state for inter-American affairs, reparding U.S. sanctions against Panama's General Manuel Antonio Noriega.
Mr. Abrams expressed surprise that Mr. Noriega remains in power in Panama whereas Ferdinand Marcos of the Philippines and Jean-Claude Duvalier of Haiti fled under the pressure of U.S. economic sanctions similar to those cur-

rently being applied against Panama.

I am not familiar with events in Haiti, but as an American living in the Philip-pines I would like to point out that U.S. pressure was only one of the factors contributing to Mr. Marcos's overdue departure. If Filipinos had not filled the streets to prevent Mr. Marcos from using mili-tary force against the rebels in Camp Crame and Camp Aguinaldo, Mr. Marcos might still be president of the Philippines. U.S. pressure was helpful, but it was not the reason Mr. Marcos left Manila. He left because he had alienated the people to the point that they were willing. to risk their lives to ensure his departure. Another arrogant implication of Mr. Abrams's statement is that all Third

World countries are alike and therefore react alike to U.S. policy initiatives. Let us hope that the failure of U.S. policy in Panama will cause Mr. Abrams to reexamine his assumptions and recognize that Third World countries have unique histories, people and leaders.

ROBERT S. TOWNSEND.

I was shocked by Elliott Abrams's cynical remarks concerning Panama. The attitude of the U.S. administration seems to he that it is the teacher and all other countries on Earth are pupils, whom their be compared with the brutal killing of teacher reprimands and keeps under wild animals by means of traps that

strict discipline. The United States is the police and all other countries are suspicious elements whom the police shadow. The United States is the judge and all the other countries are criminals. All the rules and laws are created by the United States. G. KELEMEN.

Keep Them Accountable

Hypatia A. Vourloumis (Letters, April 5) criticizes the American press and public for riding herd on leaders and their aides. As an American I am proud that governmental illegalities are publicized. In most parts of the world they are not. If a society does not punish unlawful leaders, it is certainly not a democracy. DAVID BECK.

#### Ozone and AIDS

Seeing editorials on the ozone shield and AIDS side by side (March 25), I had this thought: Ultraviolet light that is not screened out by the ozone shield may cause impairment of the immune system, but what is AIDS if not an unity impairment?

WOLFGANG ZUCKERMAN. Quissac, France.

# Skinned for the Fur of It

Regarding "Beastly Female Behavior Has a Fur-Wearer Growling" (Meanwhile, April 8) by Yona Zeldis McDonough:

While I agree that street abuse is not the way to achieve the goals of non-furwearing persons, the writer misses the point. The slaughter of farm animals according to strictly regulated methods that ensure minimum suffering cannot be compared with the brutal killing of

cause them pain for days, or of breeding wild animals in fur farms that in no way resemble their natural habitat.

Also, there is no necessity to use fur for warmth. Man-made fibers as well as wool shorn from live animals provide all the warmth humans need. The issue is whether the cruel slaying of beautiful, wild animals is justified to sat-

isfy the ego of insecure women who meare their achievements and success by the length and the price of a fur coat. AMELIA TARZI.

I suspect you published the "Beastly Female" piece to stir up letters during a dull presidential campaign. Well, if the callous writer wants to wear a fur coat as a (warm) status symbol, let her, but her mindless insensitivity is revolting. ALBERT REISS.

Le Chesnay, France.

The writer's defense of her decision to wear a fur coat is curious. Perhaps fur has been used for millennia, but would she advocate returning to other ancestral habits - the buying and selling of women, for example, or human sacrifice. Fur-bearing animals like minks are raised and die in cruel conditions. Their brief lives are spent in tiny cages. Women who want to show off should buy diamonds and gold. They are better investments. MARGARET FOX.

Hong Kong.

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# Helping Out in a Poor City Can Make for a Rich Year

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By Arthur Houser

sy here, to go to dinner. There was an explosion. Bomb, I thought immediately. A sudden change in the flow of traffic confirmed the suspicion. A missile, launched from a taxi parked on the corner where I buy the morning paper, had rocked the embassy. Dressed to blend into the crowd, in dark colors with a small cap and umbrella, I stood in the

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street surveying the damage. Slight.
Earlier the same day, in Ciudad Kennedy, a barrio of 1.5 million people southwest of central Bogotá, student protests

#### MEANWHILE

canceled classes at the school where I teach 7th and 11th grade English. One of my classrooms at the Instituto Nacional de Educación Media in Barrio Kennedy has scarred, bent desks, glass missing from the windows, birds nesting in the holes in the ceiling and one knob-less door that slams shut in the breeze. Someone has painted a large orange ham-mer and sickle with the initials of the

Communist youth movement on it.

I have worked in Colombia for almost nine months. With less than three months remaining I wonder, regardless of the bombs and the strikes, how I will out have After establishing relationever leave. After establishing relationships with the children and with other eachers, a second self has developed. Fed, washed, rinsed and surrounded by Colombian culture 24 hours a day, I have begun to speak, laugh, sing, gesture and think differently.

Colombia's acute extremes are more easily felt than written about: warmth and beauty alongside fear and hatred.
This is a culture given to the senses, filled

with sounds, scents, tastes and touches. The teachers, my colleagues, treat me cordially, even the leftists. University graduates, working two or three shifts to get ahead, they are proud, competent, nonest and indignant with the vacaries of U.S. policy in Latin America. Newspaper accounts of General Manuel Antonio Noriega's former usefulness to the United States, even while smuggling co-

caine, have fueled their fire.
Why did I come to Colombia? When a fellow teacher asked me that, I answered that the country was in the midst of

change and I wanted to play a part.

Once the April 19 Movement, an insurgent group, telephoned the head office and announced a visit to the campus. They arrived armed, secured the grounds and assembled the students for a pep talk, encouraging them to join the revolution. No one rolled out a red carpet but no one called for help. The government knows better

than to respond with force.

Drug addiction, domestic violence and street crime, all consequences of poverty and overcrowding, affect the lives of many of the Bogotá area's six million residents. Troops patrol parts of

B OGOTA—I left my apartment, less than a block from the U.S. Embasiobs or services in the city can be provided. Seeking security, they find malnutrition, fear and more crime and violence.

Factions of revolutionary groups operate throughout the city, especially in the poorer areas such as Ciudad Kennedy, where anti-U.S. sentiment is rife. Abused, abandoned children sleep in twos or threes inside doorways on pieces

often in a glue-sniffing stupor. "It used to be Americans couldn't come here at all. Now you're here, so things must be better," a colleague said of the barrio. I couldn't disagree with the logic, but things are hardly better.

of cardboard, wrapped in plastic bags.

Poverty is a compelling reason to be active in Colombian education. So is the joy of teaching students to love lan-guage, individuality and freedom of expression in a climate of fear and pressure to conform. So is the possibility of changing their perception of Americans, simply by demonstrating an apprecia-tion for Colombian culture. Education is the dream that flies overhead, like a

magic carpet, promising a better future.
The children, especially the younger ones, are enthusiastic, and at times their affection is almost overwhelming. They ask pointed questions. Why do Americans treat average Colombians like criminals when they arrive in the United States? They do not see the logic in punishing honest citizens for the crimes of a tiny minority. After all, they say, the drug problem originates with a large U.S. demand filled by only a few Colombians.

One of my seventh graders asked me how I felt when I saw graffiti saying. "Get out, Yankee robber."

"I think I might feel the same if I were Colombian," I told him. "People are simply upinformed. Many granters.

are simply uninformed. Many gringos think all Colombians are drug dealers and many Colombians think all gringos are drug addicis." Another student once asked me, "If

you're from a country of well-to-do people, why do you enjoy teaching with people of a lower class?" I told her that all three children in my

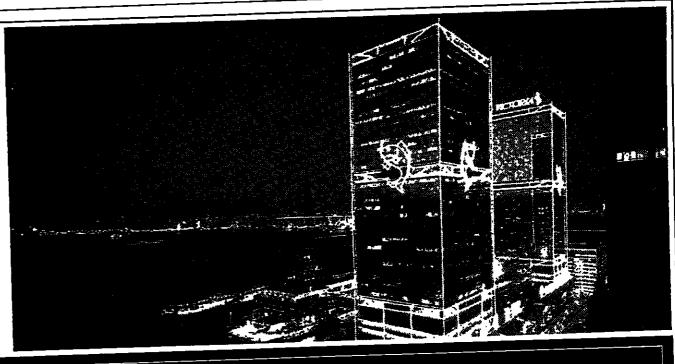
family had become teachers; we had been raised to want to be involved. And I reminded the students that every day they were teaching me more about Colombia and that they were largely responsible for "el año más rico de mi vida" - the best year of my life. Besides, they had learned a great deal of English.
They should be proud, considering
the odds against them. Less than 50

percent reach sixth grade, and by tenth grade only the cream of the crop remains. A sixth grade student scrawled these words on the bottom of a failed test: "Adiós mi futuro!"

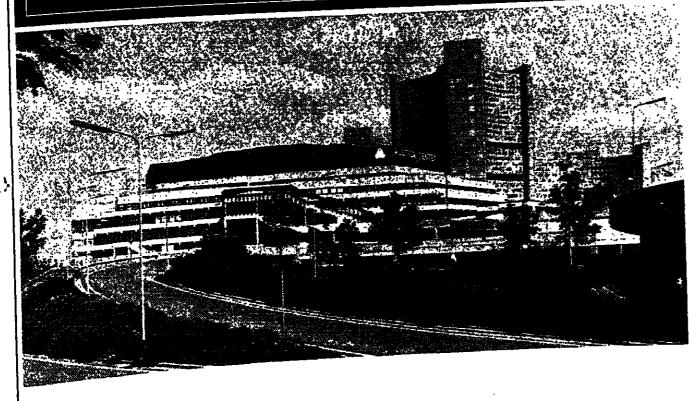
My students scoff loudest when I say, Not only is teaching the most revolu-tionary work you can find, but I might be more revolutionary than some of you.

The writer is working in Colombia in a the city at all hours. Every day more people arrive, fleeing political or drug-

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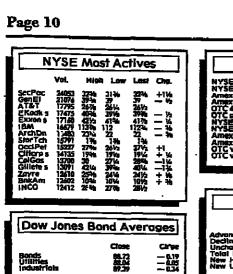
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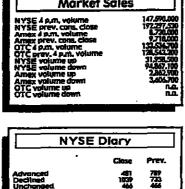
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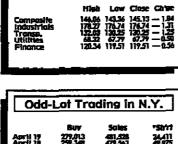
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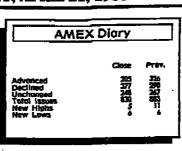


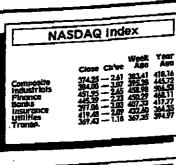
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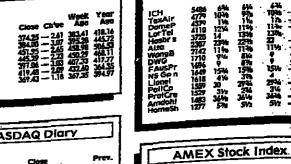


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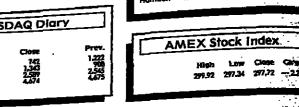




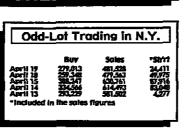


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# **NYSE Slips in Modest Trading**

NEW YORK - Prices on the New York Stock Exchange retreated Wednesday in light trading as worries about inflation and the previous session's sharp reversal sent investors to the sidelines to await a change in the negative

sentiment.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 14.09 points to close at 1,985.41. The Dow had lost 8.62 Thesday.

Declines led advances by more than a 2-1 ratio. Volume slipped to 147.59 million shares from the 161.91 million traded Tuesday.

Since the Dow reached its post-collapse high of 2,110.08 on April 12, it has fallen 125 points, with most of the decline coming in the 101-point plunge of the Dow on April 14 on a worse-than-expected merchandise trade deficit report.

"Tuesday's reversal points to the feebleness of the recent rally attempt," said Edward Nicoski, a technical analyst with Piper, Jaffray & Hopwood Inc. in Minneapolis. On Tuesday, the Dow lost an early 32-point gain to close lower.

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"The rally was not accompanied by strong volume, it suffered from poor breadth and was not confirmed in the transports or the utilities," Mr. Nicoski said. "The volume has been pathetic, and I think it's going to get worse."

Broad market indexes also declined. The New York Stock Exchange composite index fell 1.04 to 145.13. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 1.79 to 256.13. The price of an average character of the price of an average character of the price of the p

Mr. Nicoski said the market was plagued by worries about inflation and the weakened dollar, which would prevent the Federal Reserve Board from loosening credit.

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Before the market opened Wednesday, the government reported that inflation at the retail level, as measured by the Consumer Price Index, rose 0.5 percent in March, slightly more than most Wall Street projections of 0.4 per-

"The CPI is going to move up in the next couple of months," Mr. Nicoski said. He said there was a strong likelihood that interest rates would move on the same upward path.

"Investors are just going to step aside and let this thing go where it's going to go," he said, referring to the Dow. "And the near-term direction is down."

Security Pacific was the most active issue, gaining 11/4 to 32%.

General Electric followed, off 1/4 to 391/4.

AT&T was unchanged at 261/2. The company reported first-quarter earnings of 46 cents a share, up from 40 cents a share in the year-ago IBM was off ¼ to 112%. Digital Equipment was off 1/8 to 101.

Among the blue chips, Eastman Kodak was off % to 40, American Express was down ¼ to 24, Procter & Gamble was off % to 76¼, USX was off % to 31%, Sears was unchanged at 34% and Merck was down ½ to 157½.

In the auto sector, General Motors was un-changed at 71%. GM Hughes Electronics Corp. said Wednesday it earned a record \$252 million, or 63 cents a share, up from 44 cents a share last Ford Motor was off 1/2 to 441/4 and Chrysler

was off % to 23.

Prices closed lower in moderate trading on the American Stock Exchange.

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#### Jan. 14: President Dies: Taiwanese Takes Office

President Chiang Ching-kno dies, ending a Nationalist dynasty and arousing anxiety in China and the United States over the island's political development. Vice President Lee Teng-hui, a native Taiwan-ese, is swom in as president.

## Jan. 18: 2 Dissidents Jailed Tsai Yo-chuan and Hsu Tsao-teh, two

prominent dissidents advocating indepen-dence from China, are sentenced to 11 and 10 years in jail respectively.

## Feb. 4: Reforms Allow

**Parliamentary Elections** The Nationalist Party approves reforms that will allow Taiwanese to elect all members of parliament. The National Assembly and the Legislative Yuan, the highest lawmaking body, are now dominated by mainland Chinese who have not faced re-election in 38 years.

#### March 24: Taiwan Stops Atomic Research

Under pressure from the United States, Taiwan stops work on a secret installation that could have been used to obtain plutonium. U.S. officials said the work violated Taiwan's commitments to the United States that it would undertake no research for developing atomic weapons.

# Converting China With Missionaries of Capitalism

The once inflexible "three noes" policy has become a policy of two and a half noes.

#### By Daniel Southerland

AIPEI — People used to scoff at tiny Taiwan's claims that it would some-day retake China's Communist mainland. But Taiwan is now on the offensive, initiating the biggest changes in the island's once hostile relations with the mainland since 1949.

The breakaway province of Taiwan and the mainland are still technically locked in a state of war. But Taiwan's offensive is a peaceful one. It allows businessmen to compete for mainland trade and uses Taiwan citizens visiting the mainland to win over hearts and

If liberal members of the ruling Kuomintang (KMT), or Nationalist Party, have their way. Taiwan will use its offensive to help modernize the mainland and convert many Chinese there to Taiwan's way of thinking about capitalism and a more open political

President Chiang Ching-kuo of Taiwan de-cided on the first breakthrough — lifting a ban on visits to China — late last year. It has proven to be a highly popular move. Since Mr. Chiang's death in January, Tai-

wan's new president, Lee Teng-hui, has con-tinued to turn a blind eye to burgeoning unofficial contacts between Taiwan and China. When Mr. Lee, 65, took power just three months ago, it was widely assumed that he was a compromise choice for president who would

emerged.
Scholarly and U.S.-educated, Mr. Lee is the island's first Taiwan-born president, heading a government still dominated by a minority of mainland-born Chinese who fled to Taiwan when the Communists took power in 1949. While the popular Mr. Lee now appears to

serve as a figurehead until a stronger leader

be a leader in his own right, some observers say he has yet to prove that he can effectively direct and manage Taiwan's society, politics and foreign relations in a time of rapid change.

While insisting that there is no basic change of mainland policy, Mr. Lee is leading a review of that policy that is clearly aimed at making it more flexible and adaptable. The review, due to be concluded at the end

of this month, is expected to recommend a further expansion of travel to the mainland, allowing everyone except high-ranking gov-ernment officials and active military personnel to travel there.

In the latest sign of a more liberal attitude, Taiwan announced earlier this month that it will allow mail to be sent to the mainland through Hong Kong, a practice that is already widespread but which the authorities in Taipei have never officially endorsed.

According to the well-informed Taiwan newspaper China Times, Mr. Lee and his senior colleagues have also decided in principle to relax restrictions on imports of raw materials, such as coal and cotton, from the

Mr. Lee has said that Taiwan would study the possibility of sports and cultural ex-And mainland Chinese students and schol-

ars studying abroad will be invited to visit Taiwan for a first-hand look at its progress, officials say.

At the same time, Mr. Lee has tried to keep a brake on the "mainland mania" that is sweeping Taiwan, as more contacts are made and more objective information about developments in China is made available to the

Mr. Lee said recently that Taiwan still had "serious national security concerns" when it came to dealing with China, indicating that the government wants to set the pace and keep contacts under control.

Mr. Lee has continued to emphasize that contact with China has to be on a private basis, with no change in Taiwan's policy of no official contact, no negotiation and no compromise with the Communists.

But the once inflexible "three noes" policy,

as it is called, has become a policy of two and a half noes, according to some Taiwan politi-cians. Mr. Lee and other government officials are now defining the policy less restrictively. A year ago, no one would have predicted that tens of thousands of Taiwanese would be visiting their relatives on the mainland. Or that Taiwan businessmen would talk openly about investing in China and competing with

South Korea for China's markets. Some optimistic Taiwanese see a future in which their increasingly sophisticated technology and management techniques combine with cheap mainland labor, turning the 21st century into "the Chinese century."

That is a tall, and probably unrealistic, order for a small island of only 19 million people facing a sprawling, underdeveloped nation of one billion on the mainland. But Taiwan's new middle class has grown in confidence in recent years. Taiwan is the fifth largest trading partner of the United States and the 13th largest of the world's traders. New figures may soon show it to be No. 12.

Taiwan has the world's second largest for eign exchange reserves, behind Japan. The reserves are now estimated at about \$74 bil-

But Taiwan's business people are being driven to seek new markets because of a rise in Taiwan's labor costs and quotas as well as anti-dumping regulations and other measures

designed to protect the U.S. economy. Some of Taiwan's shoe manufacturers, for example, have moved their equipment to China in order to bring the costs down. Just a few years ago, it would have been hard to believe that businessmen from staunchly anti-Communist Taiwan would talk openly about in-

vesting in China, but they are doing it now.

Many Taiwanese businessmen have worked through Hong Kong companies to trade with the mainland. The Taiwan government allows such indirect trade, but has so far banned

direct trade. Jaw Shau-kong, a KMT legislator, argues that if Taiwan can improve the lives of people on the mainland through trade, it will help to protect Taiwan against a Communist attack or

"We should go on the economic attack and influence the mainland," said Mr. Jaw toward the end of last year.

Not long ago, such a view would have been considered naive and possibly treasonous. But Mr. Jaw presented his views in the presence of a high-ranking KMT official, who voiced no dissent. Officials appear to have become used to such comments.

A National Taiwan University analyst estimated that two-way trade between China and Taiwan, passing through Hong Kong and other points, more than doubled last year, reaching a value of nearly \$2 billion.

But while economics is the most obvious force driving the KMT to revise its once rigid mainland policy, political motivations are in-

The party is possessed of a missionary-like zeal to convert the mainland. But in some areas it is adopting a more pragmatic approach, trying to re-enter international organizations that Taiwan either quit or boycotted when the Communists joined, such as the Manila-based Asian Development Bank.

Taiwan will try to persuade nations that cut ties with the island in favor of recognition of Beijing to opt for "dual recognition," whereby they can maintain diplomatic links with both Taiwan and China.

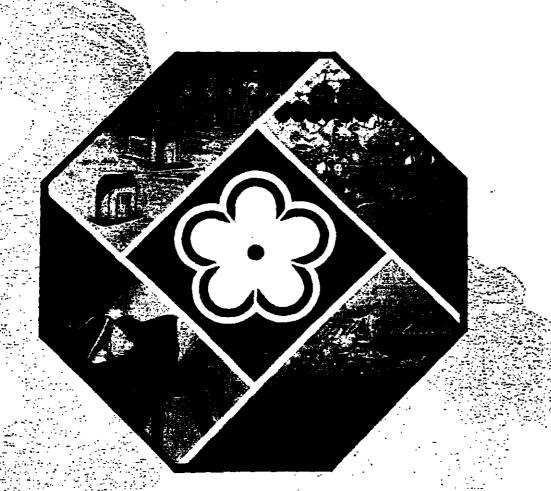
Superficially, the two systems resemble each other in many ways. The KMT is debat-ing political reforms similar to those being debated by the Communists in China. In both

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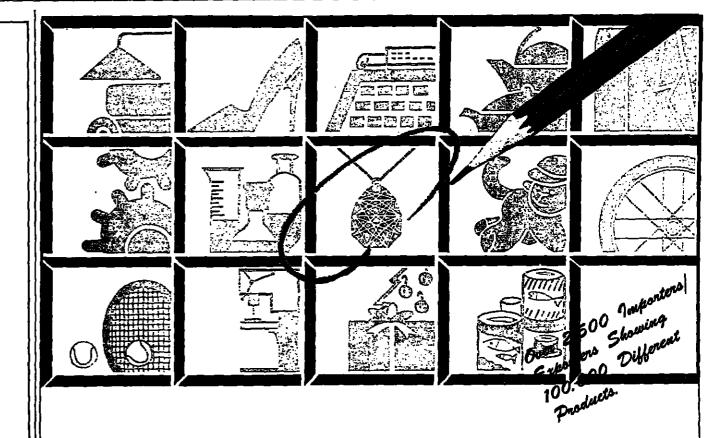
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# Economy Grapples With the Repercussions of Political Evolution

With robust foreign demand, the export-driven economy jumped into high gear.

**By Coleen Geraghty** 

AIPEI — After 12 months of extraordinary political evolution, Taiwan is now grap-pling with the economic repercussions of precipitous change.

The 19.6 million inhabitants of this prosperous island economy have witnessed more social upheaval since 1986 than in the entire previous decade. They have seen the death of a dictatorial but beloved leader, the transfer of power to Taiwan's first native-born president, the establishment of tentative links with mainland China and a gradual, albeit grudging, official tolerance of political dissent.

Equally dramatic developments have taken place on the economic front. In response to robust foreign demand, Taiwan's export-driven economy jumped into high gear and the trade surplus widened by \$19 billion in 1987

Per capita income rose one-third last year, while the gross national product grew 11.2 percent, the largest increase in nine years. At the end of 1987, the country was sitting on foreign exchange reserves worth \$76.7 billion, second only to Japan. Suddenly, Taiwan was a shining example of Asia's economic po-

But success has its price, as the Taiwanese are beginning to discover. Government officials and business leaders now question whether the country's economic growth may have been too rapid and the political changes too abrupt for Taiwan to handle.

A number of recently released economic indicators seem to justify their dropped about 40 percent in the first quarter of 1988, according to the gov-

ernment's Investment Commission.
Officials linked the decline to labor unrest, but Taiwan's economic growth is largely to blame, Real wages are high here compared with Thailand, Indone-sia and the Philippines, and the value of the currency renders them higher still in relative terms.

Not only are the foreign investors seeking other shores, but Taiwan's own industrialists have set up production plants in Southeast Asia to take advantage of lower labor costs, according to John Ni, director general of the Industrial Development and Investment Center. He estimated "outward investment" at more than \$900 million last

The strength of the Taiwan dollar, now considered overvalued by most economists, has also eroded export demand, the very foundation of the econ-omy. Politically, this is good news for Taiwan, which had been under pressure to reduce its trade surplus with the United States. But it could prove disas-trous for the country's industrial sector.

OR THE three-month period ended March 31, Taiwan's trade surplus fell to \$2.2 billion, nearly half the year-ago level. Imports in the first quarter rose 63 percent, while exports rose only 22 percent, both compared with first-quarter 1987 figures. Based on these results, Taiwan revised the projected 1988 trade surplus with the United States from \$13.5 billion to \$8 billion.

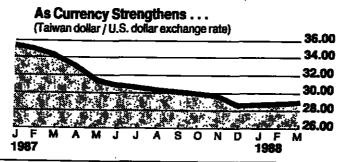
"Largely in response to trade pres-sure from the United States, Taiwan has telescoped the process of economic diversification into far too short a time

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from an export-driven to a modern economy has occurred faster than the country can react to it."

About 95 percent of domestic industry is classified as small and mediumsized, with paid-up capital under \$1.43 million and fewer than 300 employees. These businesses are the backbone of our economy," said Wang Chien-shien, vice minister of economic affairs. And the sector depends on exports for 73 percent of its gross revenue.

In the past, the small and medium-

capable of adapting to changing eco-nomic conditions. This latest upheaval will test their ability to switch from labor intensive industries that fueled Taiwan's early growth to capital intensive industries - like plastics, chemicals, electronics and computer components - that are claiming ever larger shares of export revenue.

"Taiwan is entering a very interesting period," said Chang Liang, president of Shearson Lehman Brothers (Taiwan). "If we can create the proper environ-

and labor unrest." Discontent in the labor force, until recently almost unheard of in Taiwan, is the inevitable result of the transition from a labor intensive to a capital in-tensive economy, economists say. They predict that a more highly educated work force combined with the shift from small and medium to large-scale industries will foment labor unrest. The intensity of that unrest will reflect the speed of the transition.

Government officials warn that pay-related demonstrations and strikes could hurt the investment climate, but Taiwan's labor force still looks decidedly meek compared with South Ko-rea's. Less than 20 percent of registered workers belong to trade unions, and the labor element of the opposition attracts little support.

Nevertheless, the government is wor-ried about the potential for labor unrest in Taiwan. "You can detect in their public statements that they expect labor problems to surface as Taiwan lib-eralizes," a banker said.

Inflation is another recurring nightmare of the ruling Knomintang, the Nationalist Party. Price stability has been an unquestioned tenet of the lead-ership since their defeat by the Com-munist forces of Mao Zedong in 1949. "They fear inflation," according to one economist. "After all, they lost a coun-try because of its a try because of it."

Bankers and economists rarely consuit Taiwan's consumer price index, since 25 percent of its components are government-controlled. Moreover, certain inflation-sensitive indicators, such as property prices, are excluded. Thus, official figures do not reflect the 100 percent increase in real estate values that occurred within the Taipei city area last year.

But economists say that the one-toone correspondence between Taiwan's trade surplus and its money supply implies a tremendous potential for infla-

"In effect, Taiwan is exporting its capital, and that will lead to inflation," said Su Han-ming, chief economist for estate are increasing rapidly."

ROGRESS TOWARD reducing the trade surplus, as has been seen in the first quarter of this year, will help Taiwan control inflation. But for the sake of its industry, the government must avoid sudden changes in the import-export

In fact, a sudden rise in Taiwan's trade surplus during the last few years helped create the monstrous foreign ex-change reserve that haunts its economy now. The other culprit, according to economists, is the central bank.

For years, the Central Bank of China practiced a conservative and highly re-strictive fiscal policy. Currency restric-tions hindered the normal adjustment process of recycling foreign exchange earnings by investing abroad. Thus, as the export boom pumped a flood of foreign currency into Taiwan, money supply rose by 47 percent in 1986 and 43 percent in 1987.

"Our money supply could easily have increased by 100 percent last year had the government not mopped up part of the excess with high interest-bearing CDs," the International Commercial Bank's Mr. Su said.

Beneficial as it was in reining in money supply growth, the mopping up operation had the unfortunate effect of cramping domestic investment, other bankers said. In order to finance the practice of selling debt instruments to the general public, the central bank was forced to borrow in the domestic market, thus draining private sector funds that might otherwise have been invest-

The relaxation last July of foreign exchange controls, an important part of the entire liberalization process, should reduce Taiwan's reserves and control rampant money supply growth. Individuals and companies may remit up to \$5 million abroad annually for virtually any purpose, including investments in

The new foreign exchange regime

ic miracle. But we will have to pay the price of growth in terms of inflation and labor many and was still rising in value. But this year the Taiwan dollar is expected to stabilize in the range of 25-28 to the U.S. dollar, providing a strong incentive for the Taiwanese to invest abroad.

Finally, the government has signaled.

its willingness to abandon belanced budget spending in favor of public investment. The fiscal 1989 budget an nounced last month has set ambitions spending targets to speed up public construction projects.

This policy change, which will create a \$5 billion deficit, is designed to boost a \$5 billion dental, is usuagned to noose consumer spending while offsetting the anticipated decline in exports, economists said. Government spending is projected to use by Is percent to about \$20 billion, and the deficit will be in nanced in part by new bond issues amounting to \$3.5 billion.

The budget promises to boost investment by 20 percent in Taiwan's 14, ongoing development projects, which include highway construction, railway and harbor expansion, electric power development and the upgrading of the telecommunications system. However, economists point out that the government never fulfilled its fiscal 1988 com-minment to invest \$4 billion in these projects, which would have been an 18 percent increase over the previous year.

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But the new budget clearly indicates that economic liberalization will continne in Taiwan under President Lee-Teng-hui, an economist by training.
Shortly after taking office in February. he vowed to triple average per canta-income in Taiwan to \$17,500 by the

President Lee inherited a highly productive and flexible economy from his predecessor, the late Chiang Ching-kuo. It will be the new president's task to modernize Taiwan's economy with out allowing growth to unbalance the

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# Industry Moves Offshore to Expand Markets, Find Cheaper Labor

nessman from West Germany, impressed with Taiwan's industrial development, offered a comment to Vice Minister for Economic Affairs Wang Chien-Shien. "You produce very high quality mer-chandise," he said, "but the people in my country are not aware of it.

The notion of a young Asian
They know the Korean brand company acquiring an established

AIPEI — A visiting busi- names, but no one could identify a Taiwanese manufacturer,"

To which the minister replied: "Which is the largest German computer company, Siemens? Well, maybe one of our manufacturers could buy Siemens, and then people will remember the

European conglomerate is some-what far-fetched, but the anecdote says a lot about the ambitions of Taiwan's entrepreneurs. Forced to find new markets and cheaper sources of labor in an increasingly competitive export environment, Taiwanese industry is moving offshore, not only to neighboring countries but to Europe and North America as well.

The trend is not unique to Tai-wan, of course. Entrepreneurs in other high-growth Asian economies such as Hong Kong and Singapore have established foreign bases. What is startling about Taiwan's offshore development is the nature of the investors. They are tightly run, labor- or capital-inten-

In a world in which size intimidates, and big business makes the rules, Taiwan stands out as a curious anomaly. More than 90 percent of its individual companies classify as small or medium-sized, meaning that they employ fewer than 300 people and have paid-up, working capital of less than \$1.5

"We encourage them to grow through merger, we even offer them tax incentives, but they won't merge," said Vice Minister

wants to be the boss." The Taiwanese like to compare their economy with South Korea's, partly because they are proud that their nation of small entrepreneurs has grown as rapidly as one of huge conglomerates modeled after the Japanese trading houses. The

Wang. "You know every Chinese step ahead of government. "Remember, we are a private sector driven economy, not a govern-ment controlled economy like Korea," said Chang Liang, president of Shearson Lehman Brothers (Taiwan). "The private sector will have to continue to work to make this country successful."

# In the world of business, Taiwan is a curious anomaly.

sive companies often owned by a comparison also highlights Tai-Korea's \$2,850) and the even distribution of its wealth.

> Taiwan transformed itself from a labor-intensive to a capital- and skill-intensive economy in a remarkably short time, aided by a large pool of well-educated young people striving to get ahead. With an unemployment rate of less than 2 percent, Taiwan now imports workers, mainly from the Philippines, to fill the low-skilled jobs.

At each stage of Taiwan's recent economic development, the indi-vidual entrepreneur has been one capitalize on cheap labor and raw materials available in less devel-

Not only is Taiwan's private single family or a small group of wan's exceptionally high per-capisector continuing to work, it is also ta income (\$5,000 versus South adapting to a more competitive world market. Charles Huang, president of Summit Consulting Group, said many manufacturers have introduced value added products or new but related product lines. "I think the small and medium-sized businesses will continue to dominate, but with a

> and export strategy," he said. Rather than diversify from their home base, some Taiwanese companies have moved offshore to

stronger focus on diversification

oped countries. Thailand, Sri Lanka and Malaysia are favorite destinations, but some Taiwanese set up shop in the Caribbean and along the U.S.-Mexico border.

According to Chang Hwa Commercial Bank's chairman, Liang Kuo-Shu, labor intensive mannfacturers of shoes, textiles, and handbags account for the majority of businesses that have moved to low-cost bases outside Taiwan. "Neither the capital intensive

industries like cement and petrochemicals, nor the skill intensive industries like electronics and computer components have suf-fered profit declines," he said. "But as they approach maturity, and the political liberalization process continues, they face labor disputes and strict pollution controls. The general business climate will not be as favorable as in the

Until recently, Taiwan's government took a hands-off approach to foreign investment, Citizens were not legally permitted to remit abroad more than \$5,000 annually. The government, aware that industry was flouting the rales, decided to look the other

But since foreign exchange restrictions were relaxed last July, allowing each Taiwanese to remit up to \$5 million overseas annually, the Ministry of Economic Affairs

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has tried to encourage what officials term "outward investment." Doubtless, the government has also been motivated by Taiwan's huge foreign currency reserve, a sticking point in relations between Taiwan and the United States.

John Ni, director general of the Industrial Development and Investment Center, said low-interest loans for up to 70 percent of the total investment are available for approved projects. Certain tax incentives can be claimed, but not all potential investors will be eligible, he said. Each must have a (domestic) paid-up capital of at least \$700,000, down from the \$1.8 million previously required.

ESPITE the incentives restrictions on foreign investment many Taiwanese still do not submit their plans for government approval. According to government figures, approved outward investment in 1987 totaled \$100 million, But Mr. Ni said the actual figure was at least nine times that amount. Thailand alone reported \$560 million in new Taiwanese investment last year, he said.

About 70 percent of approved investment goes to the United States, he said.

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Others say China is the recipient of much nonapproved investment capital from Taiwan. According to the Chung Hus-Institution for Economic Research, about 300 investment projects have been set up by Taiwanese companies in southern China

And a long-time foreign resident of Taipei said he knows of Taiwanese-owned factories in China's Special Economic Zones. Recently, a number of Taiwanese have traveled to Shanghai to reclaim family assets frozen during the Cultural Revolution, he said: There, they use the money, along with additional funds "exported" from Taiwan, to start up smallscale businesses run by family members still living in China.

Though many economists and government officials regard for gn investment as a necessary and 🧗 valuable part of Taiwan's liberalization process, others see it as a threat to the country's economic future.

Su Han-ming, chief economist with the International Commercial Bank of China, argued for increased domestic investment of Taiwan's wealth. As certain industries become unprofitable or outmoded, he said, Taiwan should encourage development of more sophisticated, high-technology industries to replace them.

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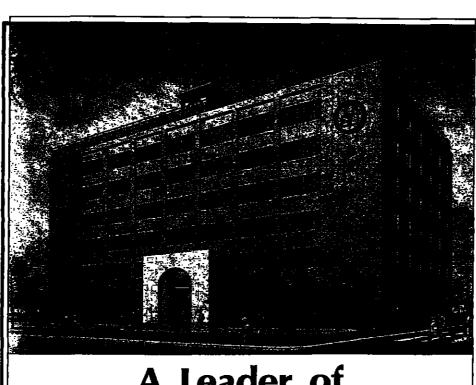
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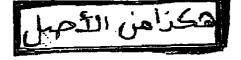
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# Businesses Widening **Exports**

By Paul Mooney

AIPEI - Popular reaction to the liberalization of Taiwan is complicating government plans to resolve trade friction with the United States and forcing business to diversify export mar-

Taiwan's economy relies on exports for 50 percent of its gross national product, and the United States absorbs close to half of the total. Under pressure from Washington, Taipei has ended a number of trade restrictions and allowed its currency to appreciate 40 percent over the last two years.

But the concessions elicited angry protests from 42 Taiwanese lawmakers, who accused trade officials of caving in to U.S. demands at the negotiating table. In January, legislators from the ruling Kuomintang, or Nationalist Party, defied the government by watering down a package of proposed tariff restrictions.

A few days later, 3,000 of the island's normally passive farmers marched on a U.S. govconnent office in Taipei, demanding an end to U.S. agricultural imports.

S agricultural imports.

"The government is now facing pressure from the United States and different segments of the local population," said Jaw Shau-kong, a Nationalist Party legislator. "Our farmers, workers, and industries are suffering the effects of the [currency] appreciation and of U.S. imports. They are complaining to the govern-

Although Taiwan's trade surplus with the United States rose to a record \$16.9 billion last year, there are signs that the twin policies of trade liberalization and currency appreciation are beginning to work. The surplus last month fell to \$300 million from \$1.27 million in March 1986, while the first-quarter trade sur-plus declined from about \$4.2 billion last year to about \$2.2 billion in 1987.

However, some businessmen who expect the trade situation to deteriorate again in the secand half of the year are looking for more creative ways to reduce the island's dependence on the U.S. market. Market diversifica-

tion is the most obvious strategy.
"The appreciation of the [New Taiwan] dollar has affected exports to the United States, but not to other countries," said Chiang Pinkung secretary-general of the China External Trade Development Council, a quasi-governmental trade promotion group. "We are actively promoting trade with Europe, Japan and other countries, but we have cut back promotional activities in the United States."

Taiwan's exports to Europe rose by 65 percent to \$7.87 billion in 1987, giving the island a \$2.67 billion surplus. However, as quickly as Taiwan makes inroads into these markets, protectionist sentiment arises to qualify its success. After taking in 18 million pairs of shoes from Taiwan in 1987, Italy announced that it would limit future imports to 9.5 million pairs



Seamstress at a garment factory near Taipei.

protectionism, Taiwan is pressing for membership in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Board of Foreign Trade officials have sought the aid of Japan and the United States sponsoring its return to GATT after a lengthy absence sparked by political issues. They are also trying to forestall China's membership in the international trade body.

In the meantime, Taiwan is making efforts to "internationalize" its trading base. At the urging of local traders, the government was coaxed into establishing trade ties with Eastern Europe, and Taiwan's staunchly anti-Communist regime has been surprisingly flexible in facilitating trade contacts with the region.

RELECOMMUNICATIONS links have been opened, and the Taiwanese government is poised to grant seven East European countries pref-erential tariff treatment. But two-way trade, expected to double in value in 1988 from last year's \$200 million, cannot compare with the volume of U.S.-Taiwan trade. Clearly, other markets must be found.

Although the government steadfastly main-tains that direct trade with mainland China remains taboo, the opening of trade ties with East bloc countries has prompted local businessmen to push for official approval of Taiwan-China trade ties.

"If we don't do business with the mainland, others will," said Mr. Jaw. "Trade is vital to us. We are trying to diversify, and the mainland is one market.

Taiwan's new policy of allowing family visits' to the mainland is expected to lead to further two-way trade, and there are indications that the government is reviewing restrictions on trade with Beijing. In a major policy reversal, Taiwan last month announced it would allow most Chinese goods, barring agricultural and light industrial imports, to enter Taiwan through third countries.

Indirect trade with China last year, at the time officially illegal, exceeded \$1.5 billion. To protect itself from a rising trend of global. This was up more than \$500 million from the

previous year, and 20 times the 1979 figure, according to Hong Kong trade figures. (The majority of indirect trade between Taiwan and China goes through Hong Kong).

Wang Chien-shien, deputy minister of economic affairs, said attempts to enforce an indirect trade ban with China would have been futile. "If we tried to ban trade through Hong Kong, people would find a way to go through Japan or the Philippines," he admitted.

Mr. Wang said the government was considering proposals calling for direct two-way trade of certain commodities. "We are thinking, should we open the door a little wider," he said. "Japan and Korea can buy cheap cotton from China, and this makes their textiles more competitive. We have heard proposals that we should lift the ban on imports of essential raw materials like coal and cotton."

As the China trade debate continues, and Taiwan seeks other markets in Asia and Europe, trade officials in Taipei admit that Taiwan's exporters will remain dependent upon the U.S. market for a long time. The diversification process can achieve only limited results,

Pressure will not be reduced just because you open your markets," said the Trade Development Council's Mr. Chiang. "You must reduce the surplus. To achieve this goal, we must buy more from the United States, and not export less. We should encourage imports."

Whether the government will be able to do this in the face of growing demands at home remains a big question. "People here have enjoyed protection from imports for a long time, and if it is removed, they will take the matter to the streets," predicted S.C. Tsiang, president of the Chung Hua Institution for Economic Research. "I don't think trade liberalization will proceed as fast as we would like it

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# U.S. Optimistic on Relations Despite Tension on Agriculture

By Lena H. Sun

▼ ASHINGTON — U.S. officials are upbeat about recent political and economic developments on ▼ Taiwan and have a generally optimistic outlook for continued good relations despite current tension over some agricultural

trade issues. "There is general satisfaction and admira-tion for what has taken place in the last 18 months," said a congressional analyst who follows affairs on the island closely.

Compared to South Korea's rapid transition

to democracy, Taiwan's liberalization process has been accomplished more smoothly, according to analysts who specialize in East Asia.

"Korea took the birtzkrieg approach," one
analyst said. "What has been happening in

Taiwan has been more planned and gradual." Administration officials have welcomed the liberalization begun by former President Chiang Ching-kuo since 1986. Martial law was lifted, opposition parties were allowed to be formed, plans were introduced to give more representation to native Taiwanese and a press law that previously restricted the number and

After Mr. Chiang's death in January, his successor, Lee Teng-hui, an agricultural expert educated at Cornell University and the first native Taiwanese to be president, has moved quickly to consolidate power, assuming chairmanship of the ruling Kuomintang, and to push ahead with political reform.

size of newspapers was loosened, among other

He has met with members of the opposition and, according to one well-informed analyst, his skill in "the way he has played his hand, being modest and at the same time decisive, has reduced some of the underlying political tension in Taiwan between the aging core of Thinese who fled to the island from the mainland four decades ago and have dominated its politics and the native Taiwanese, who make up 85 percent of the estimated population of 19.5 million.

# Liberalization draws admiration.

"Having a Taiwanese emerge as the president, one who is trusted and liked on all sides, has allowed Taiwan to get over the hurdle of the succession with fewer psychological shocks, the analyst said. In Washington's view, one of the most en-

couraging signs of Mr. Lee's leadership style was his first press conference in February. "He visibly held himself up before his peo-ple," one State Department official said. "He signaled a different style to the people of Tai-

In keeping with that more open, self-confi-

dent style, U.S. officials point to another encouraging move: Taipei's announcement last month that it would attend the annual board of governors meeting of the Asian Development Bank in Manila next week. Taiwan boycotted bank activities for two years after the bank renamed it Taipei, China, and after the mainland also became a member and took the

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At his press conference, Mr. Lee said the

# Trade Surplus with U.S.

Amid pressure to cut the surplus after four years of steady growth, first quarter figures show a 45.63% drop from the previous



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Source: Hoare Govett, Irving Trust

most important question for Taiwan was whether attending the meeting under that name served the national interest.

Washington has been more cautious about what it says about recent contacts between Taiwan and the mainland because of the sensitivity of the issue. Beijing would prefer that Washington be involved openly in the process, while Taiwan, which has a long-standing ban against contact, negotiation or compromise with the mainland, would like to see the United States say nothing at all.

"We won't force the pace, and we won't tell them what to do," said one senior U.S. official. However, Washington has welcomed developments such as the growing indirect trade between the two sides and Taipei's decision last fall to allow some of its citizens to travel to the mainland after a 38-year ban.

In a strategic sense, a lessening of tension-between the capitalist island and the Communist mainland is good for U.S. relations with China and Washington's interest in limiting Soviet influence in Asia, analysts said.

Officials in Washington say they hope to see a continuation of reform on Taiwan.

The United States is also watching how Taiwan proceeds with parliamentary reform of the National Assembly, the body that elects the

president, and the Legislative Yuan, the lawmaking body.

On the economic front, U.S. officials say they are pleased with Taiwan's efforts to cut its trade surplus with the United States, the second largest after Japan. The surplus last year rose to nearly \$19 billion from \$15.7 billion the

previous year. But last year, Taiwan became "significantly more responsive in terms of improving market access," said Assistant U.S. Trade Representative Peter Allgeier. Washington sought tariff reductions on 303 items, and Taiwan has reduced tariffs on 242 of them in a "much more sweeping" way than previous tariff-reduction packages, he said.

Two years ago, the average tariff was 32 percent; in January, that average fell to 19

Under pressure from the United States, the New Taiwan dollar has also appreciated 31 percent since September 1985, according to U.S. Commerce Department figures. As Taiwan's currency strengthens against the U.S. dollar, Taiwanese exports become more expensive in terms of the U.S. currency, while U.S. exports become less expensive.

U.S. officials are also encouraged by significant movement on intellectual property rights. an area where Washington has encountered problems worldwide, and on steps to allow wider access to the insurance and financial

Washington is quick to praise these actions. "If you compared what Taiwan has done since the fall of 1986 to the present, Taiwan has been

more responsive than Korea," Mr. Allgeier But, as one senior administration official

added, "Taiwan needs to continue to work on the trade problem." Trade has been a contentious issue, and

tension has arisen recently over increased U.S. exports of fruit and poultry to Taiwan. Farmers, angry over Taiwan's decision to lift import restrictions on U.S. turkeys, staged two demonstrations last month in front of the American Institute in Taiwan, Washington's unofficial embassy in Taipei. The demonstrations were peaceful, but they were the first anti-American rallies in several years, U.S. officials

Officials in Washington are cautious about attaching too much significance to the demonstrations. The protests could be seen as a safety valve to release pressure on Taiwan's government from the farmers, said one senior administration official.

So far, Taipei has been successful in resisting the pressure and must continue to do so, in the

"If we are going to have a situation where every time we have success in increasing our exports, the [Taiwan] government is giving in to restrain us, we are not going to resolve the problem of the trade imbalance," Mr. Allgeier

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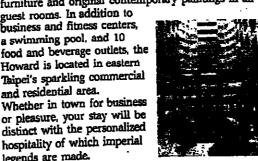
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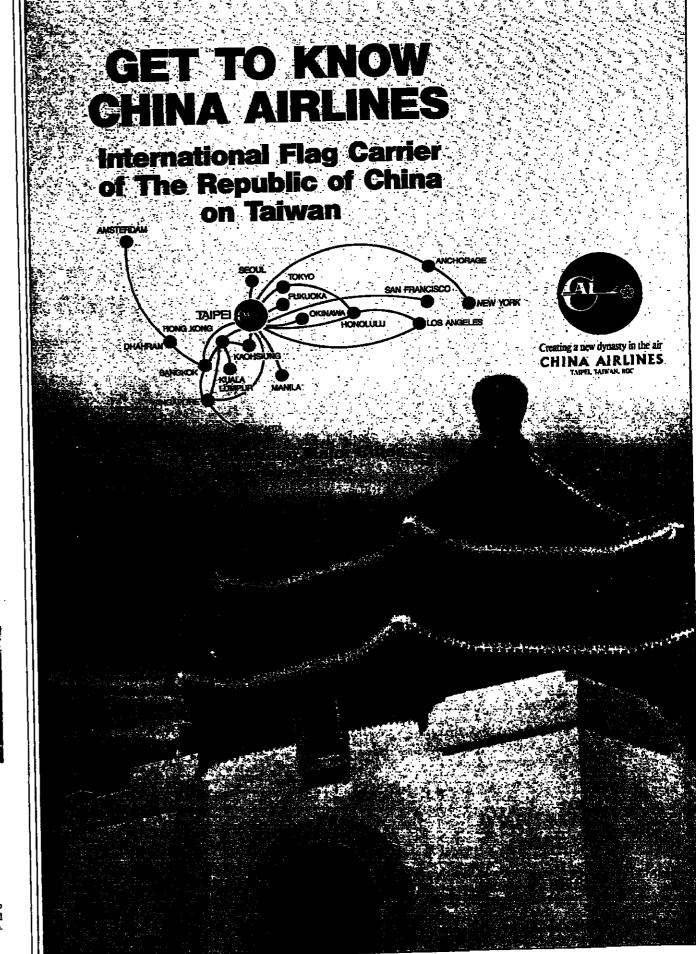
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# **Converting China With Contacts**

Continued from page 11

Taipei and Beijing, the main idea is to curb the party interference in the day-to-day running of

Beijing has urged reunification under a "one-country, two-systems" approach that would allow Taiwan to maintain its army and

But pluralistic political change is coming so much faster in Tarwan that it is intensifying the existing differences between the two systems. As some observers see it, Taiwan is becoming

As some observers see it, Talwan is becoming more "indigestible" for China.

While the KMT tolerates a small but vigorous opposition party, which is still technically illegal, the Communists continue to reject the idea of any meaningful multi-party system.

The KMT's new confidence is based partly on prosperity. Taiwanese officials announced last year that personal income had reached an aversee of about \$5,000 a year. That is more

than 15 times the average income in China. In lifting the ban on travel to the mainland, Taiwan seems to have several aims in mind. Taiwanese officials want to maintain Taiwan's identity with China, some sources say, thus countering demands that Taiwan formally declare itself independent.

average of about \$5,000 a year. That is more

From Taiwan's point of view, the visits to the mainland have been a great success, because they have convinced many Taiwanese that Taiwan is indeed vastly superior to the poor and overpopulated mainland. Mainland citizens have made so many demands on their wealthier Taiwan relatives that China's Communist Party chief, Zhao Ziyang, recently is-

sued his own version of a three noes policy.

According to the official People's Daily, Mr. Zhao said there should be no political propagandizing of Taiwan visitors, no asking for money or gifts and no defrauding the Taiwan-

In the end, Taiwan must remain politically



Lee Teng-hui

stable in order to maintain momentum in its relations with the mainland. Mr. Lee's supporters went a long way toward creating such stability when they headed off a last-ditch attempt by Taiwan's traditionalist old guard to prevent his election to the presidency of the

The opposition Democratic Progressive Party has also had trouble dealing with Mr. Lee, not only because he is the first native Taiwanese to become president but also because he is

The Communists on the mainland, meanwhile, clearly welcome the initiatives that Mr. Lee has taken to expand contact with China. But they must also feel uneasy about him

In the end, Taiwan must remain politically stable in order to maintain momentum in its relations with the mainland.

because, unlike his mainland-born predeces sor. Mr. Lee has no close ties with China. An analysis done by a research fellow at the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences and published in the April 11 issue of the official Beijing Review argues that there is "no author-itative successor" to Chiang Ching-kuo in Tai-

The article cites a speech given two years ago by China's senior leader, Deng Xiaoping, in which Mr. Deng said that once Chiang Ching-kuo died, "as far as we can see, no one in Taiwan can replace him."

The analyst said that over the long run, confrontation and conflicts between those who



want independence are inevitable. The only solution, he said, is for the KMT to drop the

unthinkable as long as the economic and politi-cal gaps between Taiwan and China remain as large as they are.
"Democracy has to have a material base,"

But on Taiwan, both KMT and opposition said a young politician who belongs to the DANIEL SOUTHERLAND is The Washing-politicians seem to agree that reunification is opposition Democratic Progressive Party. ton Post's correspondent in Beijing.

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# 2 Nations Show More Flexibility on the Long March Toward Unity

By Kazuyuki Hamada

today's world, international relations are determined more and more by economic rather than military power. One of the most successful players in this game is Tai-

With a population of 19.6 million - or one-sixtieth of the mainand — and diplomatically isolated. Taiwan, nevertheless, continues to have the world's highest economic growth rate — 11.6 percent in 1986 and 11.2 percent in 1987. Its trade surplus in 1987 was \$19 billion. Having reached \$76.7 billion, its foreign exchange reserve is now the world's second

roughly 2 percent for the past sev-

All these figures demonstrate far better economic performance than that of most of the world's countries, not to mention China.

This success can be attributed to the following elements, which contrast greatly with the main-• Government industrial policies. After the war, the rural popu-

lation was transferred to urban areas, thus achieving industrialization, with financial and technological assistance from the United

 Changing international envi-ronment. Despite being an outcast from the United Nations, the International Monetary Fund and largest, after Japan's. Its nominal the General Agreement on Tariffs GNP reached \$97 billion, or and Trade, Taiwan has developed the General Agreement on Tariffs \$5,000 per capita, and the unem- a favorable and substantive eco-

140 nations, while maintaining of-ficial diplomatic relations with 22 others, mostly Latin American

Cultivated by the traditional work ethics of Confucianism, Taiwan-ese are education oriented, as well as highly work and saving moti-vated. They have held the record for having the world's highest sav-

and will continue to promote the successful development of Tai-wan's economy, which has, in turn, brought about its political and social stability.

China aims at reunification with

affluent Taiwan after the successful reversion of Hong Kong in 1997, for their own economic and

The second is that of reunification at a radical pace. Old mainland veterans favor this movement. In April of this year, the China Reunification League was formed along these lines in Taipei.

 Characteristics of the people. ings rate for the past 12 years.

These elements have promoted

There are three schools of thought in Taiwan concerning the country's future. One calls for reunification at a moderate pace.
Under the administration of the
late President Chiang Ching-kuo,
Taiwan initiated the Grand Alliance of China Reunification policy in 1983. This aims at a slow
but steady development of the relationship between Beijing and and Taipei. A majority of the people support this position, not wanting a drastic change.

nomic relationship with more than This group, however, is not strong Kuomintang and the Chinese enough to win popular support.

The third school supports Taiwan's eventual independence. Taiwan's intellectuals, concerned

has occasionally been proposed by the mainland's Communist Party leaders, but it is not probable as about their nation's international the Kuomintang government in

currently make up almost 90 per-cent of Taiwan's population, while Communist Party. This scenario the top leadership positions remain in the hands of mainlanders. Under the leadership of the newly appointed president. Lee Teng-

An analyst's view of the prospects for reunification with the mainland.

status, advocate this scenario. Business leaders, afraid of being under the political rule of economically backward China, also voice the need for independence.

Thus, both Beijing and Taipei officially adhere to the goal of re-unification. However, this goal is a difficult one to achieve. The following three scenarios are conceivable as the means to a unified China, but each has apparent limi-

 Militarily forced reunification by Beijing. The resulting bloodshed would make it extremely difficult to control the Taiwanese afreunification. In addition, China has a limited number of naval forces with which to attack Taiwan. More important is the fact that China cannot endure the costs involved in such an attempt, as it is concentrating on domestic reforms. Beijing is also concerned about international pressure

against such adventurism. • Peaceful reunification of the Taiwanese on Taiwan. Taiwanese

Taiwan takes a more long-range perspective on reunification, aiming at achieving this goal only when China's economic strength becomes comparable to its own.

• Taiwan's independence, or a coup d'etat by the army of antigovernment groups. Because of Taiwan's successful economic development and social stability, demands for a democratic society have been fairly well coped with by the Kuomintang government. The anti-government movement is very weak under these circumstances. Family visits to China have recently been allowed, resulting in reaffirmed feelings of superiority among Taiwanese toward their own social and economic sys-

Therefore, the present situation is more than likely to continue into the 21st century. However, there are problems that Taiwan will face, among them is cooperation between mainlanders and

hni, this potential cause of friction should be carefully dealt with, by allowing more Taiwanese to hold high-ranking government posi-

Another problem is the demand for accelerated democratization. After lifting martial law, admitting opposition parties, expanding freedom of the press, the real test of democracy will be found in the scheduled 1989 National Legislature and 1990 presidential elec-

The labor movement and environmental protection provide further issues. Labor is becoming more politically assertive and industrialized nation, the issue of environmental protection has recently come into the spotlight and attracted political attention. The new activism has spread with local protests that have forced the cancellation of several major infrastructural projects.

Then, there is the need to recy-

eign reserves. In the face of Ameri-ca's deficits, Taiwan cannot be States. The 1987 U.S.-Taiwan bilateral trade deficit figure is expected to be as high as \$16 billion. while the U.S. export market share dropped to 44.5 percent from 47.7 percent in 1986. At the same time, proper methods of recycling the surplus and reserves for large do-mestic projects, together with investment in China, are encouraged to deter criticism for seemingly becoming another economic ani-

If these issues are carefully han-

dled on Taiwan and the economic and political reforms are successfully developed in China, and as the international community becomes fully aware of its potential, the opportunity for reunification will materialize. This is more likely too occur, however, if Taiwan changes its "three noes policy"— no official contact, no negotiation and no compromise with the Communists — and China its "four cardinal principles" - Communist Party leadership, socialism, proletarian dictatorship and Marxism-Leninism-Maoism into a challenging new three-princoexistence, peaceful competition and peaceful reunification.

Fortunately, both Taiwan and China appear to be taking a gradual step in this direction. For example, Taiwan recently allowed a flight from Beijing, carrying many mainland Chinese, to make an emergency landing, due to inclemcle the huge trade surplus and for- ent weather, at Kaoxiong Airport.

Taiwan is also publicly permitting communication with the mainland through the mails and by the import of mainland publications.

Beijing has contributed to this apparent trend indicating more open relations with Taiwan by accelerating its open-door economic policies and through its more lib-eralized political and social systems, which were confirmed in the 13th Party Congress last fall, and increasingly by the 9th People's Congress this month. There even seems to be substantial indications of a relaxation in the usually strict adherence to the "four cardinal principles," with the exception of the first, that Communist Party. leadership be a part of any agenda for reunification.

The main factor in determining the speed with which the China-Taiwan relationship is improved will be the degree of confidence that each has in its own system and their flexibility in accepting the inherent differences between them. The new leadership of each half of this relationship, by the continued development of their economies, seem to be getting more flexible in achieving this goal, no matter how large the current gap between them seems to be. Even if achieving this goal, takes 50 or 100 years, for the Chinese people it will be just a short period in their long history.

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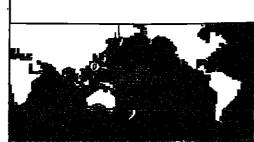
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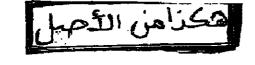


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# Commodity Taxes Cut, Lower Import Tariffs Boost Consumerism

By Coleen Geraghty

AIPEI — The age of conspicuous con-sumption has finally caught up with this nation of scrupulous savers. A government decision to lower import taniffs and cut commodity taxes opened the door to a flood of foreign goods, including household appliances, antomobiles, television sets, designer clothing and cosmetics.

The government acted partly in response to pressure from U.S. trade officials, who have accessed Asia's four "dragon" economies — Tawan, Singapore, Hong Kong and South Korea — of using protectionist tactics to shield their domestic industries and thereby increase their trade surpluses with the United States. Tawan's surplus rose to a record \$15.6 billion Taiwan's surplus rose to a record \$15.6 billion

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Taiwan's surplus rose to a record \$15.6 billion last year.

In February alone, Taiwan halved import satisfies on 3,500 items, thereby lowering the national effective tariff rate from 7.7 percent to 3.8 percent, according to Vice Minister for Economic Affairs Wang Chien-Shien. The effective U.S. tariff rate is 3.6 percent, he said.

The month before, import tariffs were cut on about 1,700 foreign products, and Taiwan began allowing imports of U.S. wine, beer and cigarettes. More recently, the government announced the relaxation of import controls on stationery and books.

Customs statistics tell the story even more

Customs statistics tell the story even more dramatically. For the first two months of 1988, Taiwan's imports rose 60 percent from 1987 levels, while its exports were 28 percent above the year-ago figures. Exports to the U.S. climbed 16 percent during January-February, but imports raced ahead by 127 percent, Mr.

Wang said.

In 1987, imports of consumer goods made up only 8.8 percent of the total mix. But they accounted for 17 percent of the goods important the goods. ed in January-February 1988.

"As you walk around Taipei, you are bornbarded by merchandise," said James Vaughn, who runs American Express Bank in Taipei.



Shoppers view merchandise on Taipei's Zhong Hua Road.

"Taiwan's market basket is changing, Sudden-, things are available."

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It is still too early to tell whether Taiwanese consumers will buy the imports that now appear in shop windows as a result of the governent's new import policy. Throughout the 1980s, Taiwan's savings rate, that is, the rate of national savings to Gross National Product, averaged above 30 percent. Last year, it jumped to 40.2 percent, among the highest in

But per capita gross national product in

rising from \$3,144 in 1985 to \$3,784 in 1986 to \$4,952 last year. Fully 98 percent of Taiwanese households own refrigerators, 96 percent have color television sets, 94 percent have motorcycles and 10.2 percent have automobiles.

"Double-digit increases in per capita income are expected to shift consumer preferences for imported goods," according to another banker, who noted the recent establishment of international retailer outlets.

If the Taiwanese are developing a taste for Christian Dior and ESPRIT computers, they has appreciated rapidly against most major currencies, particularly the U.S. dollar. But some economists worry that this trend eventually will skew Taiwan's relatively equitable

"People who own property and stocks, they made money, but those without tangible assets lost ground as the dollar appreciated," said Liang Kuo-Shu, chairman of Chang Hwa Commercial Bank. "The equality of income distribution has already deteriorated."

The booming property market will also ac-

If the Taiwanese are developing a taste for Christian Dior and ESPRIT computers, they can certainly afford it. The New Taiwan dollar has appreciated rapidly against most major currencies.

centuate any tilt in the distribution of wealth as the price of a moderately sized flat in and around the cities quickly soars out of the middle-income price range. Bankers estimate that property values have doubled in Taipei during the past 12 months.

"Some people say the market has peaked, but I think it will level off and rise again," said one foreign banker. "A lot of the existing housing around Taipei is old and shabby-look-ing. There is enough money around to tear it down and rebuild."

In fact, home mortgage loans constitute a large part of retail banking business in Taiwan. Both local and foreign banks compete for this market, offering mortgage rates between 6 percent and 7 percent, according to Chang Hwa's

More than \$18 billion in consumer loans was approved by foreign and local banks last year, as demand for consumer credit continued rising at an average annual rate of about 22

Automobile loans, a second major component of this consumer loan business, are being used increasingly to purchase foreign cars now that import duties have been lowered from 60 percent to 42.5 percent. The automobile industry said foreign car imports probably would double in 1988 to reach 80,000 units.

Central to the future of consumer credit in demand in Taiwan is the government's policy on credit card issuance. Several major issuers cluding Bank of America, American Express, and Citibank last year reached an agreement with the Ministry of Finance to market foreign currency-denominated cards within Taiwan. Chase Manhattan joined the group this year.

Bankers see Taiwan as a potentially lucrative card market based on per capita income, and the large outgoing tourist population. But they are prohibited from offering credit cards payable in New Taiwan dollars, despite the relaxation of wide-ranging currency regula-tions last summer. Taiwan's policy stems from a desire to protect issuers of the local UDC card, which monopolizes the debt market.

U.S. officials will urge Taiwan to reverse this policy when they meet their Taiwanese coun-terparts for trade consultations next week. sources said. In the meantime, foreign card issuers are pairing up with local banks to form island-wide distribution networks in anticipation of an end to the current credit card issu-

# From a Tiny R&D Unit, a Computer Giant

AIPEI — Acer Incorporated is not a typical Taiwanese company, but its 44-year-old chairman, Stan Shih, hopes it is a prototype for what the typical Taiwanese company will become.

Mr. Shih, together with five business associates, built what has become Taiwan's leading comput-

from the shell of a tiny research and development company with 11 employees. That was 12 years ago. Today, Acer employs 3,800 people, about 70 percent of whom own the maionty of its stock. According to its chairman's calculations, when the company goes public in November about 900 employees will be holding shares worth \$35,000, or seven times the current gross na-

er manufacturer and distributor

tional product. This particular statistic is important to Mr. Shih because it demonstrates a high degree of employee involvement, one trait that er Taiwanese companies.

From the beginning, Stan Shih understood that a successful company must attract loyal workers, so he made stock options available to employees," said John Wang, senior vice president of corporate administration. "He gave people a chance to be creative, even although the property of th lowed them to make mistakes. That kind of freedom creates a powerful, self-motivated work

Founded as Multitech, the com-pany earned about \$200,000 in the first year. A decade later, in 1986, group revenue had exceeded \$200 million, for an average annual growth rate of 100 percent. Turnover last year reached \$319 million from the marketing, manufactur-

# As Acer has grown, so has Taiwan's information products industry.

As the Acer group has grown, so has Taiwan's information prodncts industry. Export of information products from Taiwan last year rose 79 percent to a record \$3.7 billion. Micro-computer exports nearly doubled in value to \$760 million, despite the competitive disadvantage of an appreciating currency. The United States accounted for about one-third of all information product exports.

In the past, employee share-holders furnished Acer with most of its working capital. "The banks gave us short-term financing, and the employees continued to reinvest earnings into the company, Mr. Shih said. Though this arrangement has carried Acer through 12 years of growth, it can-not support Mr. Shih's ambitious expansion plans.

Listing on the Taiwan Stock Ex-change this fall will provide the company with a new source of funds. The \$16 million placement will be handled by a combination of Taiwanese, American, and Jap-

"It is a necessary step in our long-term strategy to become a truly global company," Mr. Shih explained. Underwriters encouraged him to list first in the United

ing trading publishing and edu-cation divisions.

States. He demurred, but he will apply for American Depositary apply for American Depositary Receipt (ADR) listing eventually.

In many respects, Mr. Shih is the Taiwanese equivalent of the ambitious American entrepreneur. marshaling guts, talent, and hard work to fulfill a private ambition. But his ambition transcends monetary goals; it is fueled by a fierce pride in Taiwan.

"The economic growth of Taiwan has been fantastic, but it is not acknowledged internationally," he said. "We would like to be recognized, and we would like the

Global expansion is the core of Acer's five-year plan, a document calling for 25 percent return on equity and 40 percent growth each year, a sixfold expansion of manufacturing space by 1989 and sales of \$1 billion by 1991. The sales target has already been revised upward - based on current expectations that the \$1 billion mark will be reached a full year ahead of

About 85 percent of Acer's production is exported, and the com-pany owns distributorships in 67 countries. "Our market is global," Mr. Shih said, "but we haven't yet begun to trade technology. This is our most urgent goal."

In order to meet that goal, Acer

base. Last year, the group ac-quired Counterpoint Computers Inc., a U.S.-based designer and manufacturer of minicomputers. Acer executives then started scouring Japan and Europe for research and development facilities to complement an existing laboratory in San Jose, California.

Following a strong sales cam-paign in the United States and Europe, which began in 1986, Acer decided to relocate production facilities closer to the market. It has contracted with Texas Instruments to manufacture up to 5,000 units per month at the U.S. company's plant and is seeking similar arrangments with other American and European manufacturers.

tional recognition came closer to reality this year when Acer applied for a license to develop and market legal clones of International Business Machines Corp.'s new PS-2 personal computers. This venture would open up a potentially huge market for the group, and add to Taiwan's global status in the high-tech field

"We have demonstrated that the dreams of all young Chinese can be realized," he said. I am not pretending that it's easy, but our success will encourage others. My own dream is to develop Acer into a globally prominent company. I think I can spend another 10 years working to achieve that goal."

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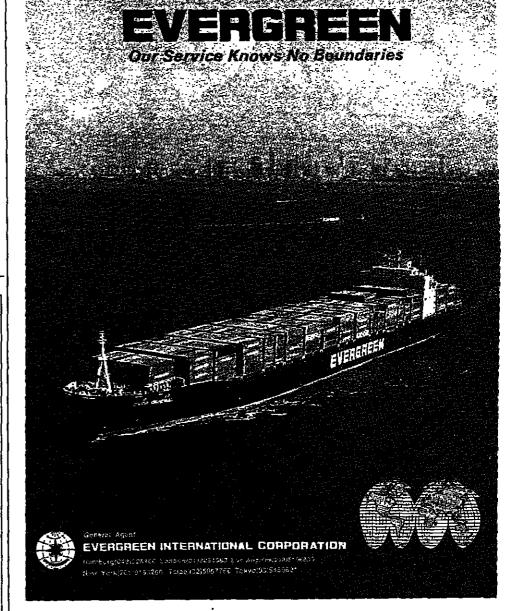




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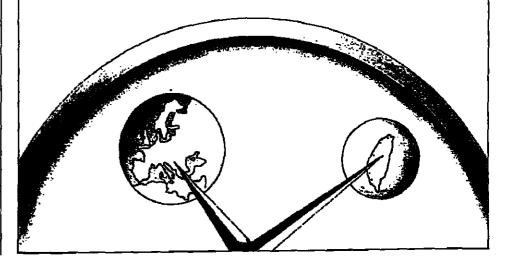
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# In Quest of a Multifaceted Financial System

By Coleen Geraghty

AIPEI — Given its size and prosperity and the entrepreneurial talents of its people, Taiwan has one of the most woefully inadequate financial systems in the world

Its volatile stock market reacts more often to speculation and rumor than to fundamental factors. The capital market has little depth, a mutual fund industry is just emerging and officially sanctioned commodity markets do

Yet Taiwan badly needs a multifaceted, functioning financial system. The national savings rate of 40 percent of gross national product leaves about \$38 billion for potential investment by the Taiwanese. Moreover, economists estimate that the appreciation of Taiwan's currency has attracted at least one-third more from U.S., Japanese and Hong

The lifting of foreign exchange controls last year should have alleviated some pressure on the country's burgeoning money supply. For the first time, Taiwan allowed its canzens to export large sums (up to \$5 million) outside the country. But the Taiwanese were unwilling to invest abroad while their own currency continued to increase in value. After rising 47 percent in 1986, Taiwan's money supply swelled by another 43 percent last year.

A good deal of that money found its way into the stock market. Taiwan Stock Exchange officials said 630,000 new accounts were opened in 1987, one-third up from the 1986 figure. Average daily trading volume quadrupled to reach about \$325 million in 1987. Based on 1987 performance, the Taiwan Stock Exchange claims a higher average turnover than the Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysian, Philip-pine and Thai markets combined.

But Taiwan has paid a price for success in terms of volatility. After nearly doubling in the first four months of 1987, the index consolidated, then moved from 1,600 to 4,600 in the space of three months to reach a record 4,673.14 on Oct. 1. Following the global equity crash, the Taiwan market lost more than half its value.

"This market has become one of the most volatile in the world," said Danny Chan, managing director of Fidelity Securities Investment Consulting Corp. "It's full of short-term specu-

lators and virtually empty of fundamental analysis. It can be talked up or down easily." Marc Faber, general manager of Drexel Burnham Lambert's Hong Kong operation and an experienced analyst of Asian markets, compared Taiwan's recent boom with the "speculative excesses" of Kuwait in the late 1970s and Singapore in 1983-1984.

"The current boom in Taiwan is nothing different, although I am assured by both Taiwanese and foreign brokers alike that this time it is totally different," Mr. Faber said. "In fact, I agree that there are some distinctions from other booms — the excessive speculation [in Taiwan] is probably less controlled than in the

In short, Taiwan's stock market has grown without maturing. As proof of that, critics point to the stringent daily limit on price move-ments, which has the effect of creating a roadblock of unfilled orders. No other major market contains trading activity in this way, they

The structure of Taiwan's industry also gives its equity market a lopsided look. The five largest companies make up about 40 percent of the index, and the 50 largest account for 90 percent. (About 135 firms are listed.) But because so many Taiwanese firms are familyowned or government-controlled, only a small percentage of their stock is available to investors. "There's not too much free scrip about," Mr. Chan said.

But opportunities for domestic investment outside the stock market remain limited. Taiwan's bond market is relatively undeveloped because local businessmen have found it cheaper to raise capital through bank borrow-

Larger companies are finally beginning to test the bond market. In February, Taiwan's leading pulp and paper manufacturer, Yuen Foong Yu, carried out the first convertible bond issue in the local market. The five-year bonds are convertible into common shares of Chung Hwa Pulp Corp., a listed firm 10 per-cent owned by the issuer.

Bankers said Yuen Foong Yu is now negoti-ating the terms of a second issue, this one a convertible preference stock carrying a guaran-teed interest rate, and convertible into shares

Lacking a good spread of investment opportunities in traditional markets, the Taiwanese

Taiwan has paid a price for success in terms of volatility.

have created an entire network of underground markets instead. The people who run them promise returns of up to 4 percent per month by investing in high-risk stocks and speculative property ventures. The underground market also deals in commodity futures, which are illegal in Taiwan.

Tracy Cheng, senior vice president of the Taiwan Stock Exchange, believes the influence of these underground brokers is exaggerated. the estimates their holdings at a tiny fraction of the investment capital in Taiwan. But Fideli-ty's Danny Chan disagreed, claiming that total funds placed with underground brokers could exceed 15 percent of the gross national prod-

The government, aware of the threat posed by underground brokers, is paralyzed by the ambiguity of current laws. "We are working to revise the rules and regulations, but it takes time," said Philip Fang, senior specialist with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

In January, Taiwan's Legislative Yuan approved 11 major changes to the financial body of law, but they must be reviewed by other branches of government before the commission can begin enforcement. On the one hand, new rules will tighten up the operation of domestic markets; on the other, they will ease restrictions on foreign broker participation in l'aiwan's securities industry.

Taiwan's Securities and Exchange Commis-sion is braced for a flood of securities license applications by local and foreign brokers now that the 25-year freeze on new licenses has been removed. At present, 28 licensed securities firms operate in Taiwan, including 14 banks acting as brokerage houses. That number is

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expected to double upon approval of the applications.

The regulations do not remove the rules barring foreign firms from the broking industry, but they will allow up to 40 percent foreign ownership of a local securities house. However, no one foreign firm may own more than 10

This seemingly small concession to the for-eign community is, in fact, extremely valuable. "A foreign broker can now compete as a do-mestic company in Taiwan," said Mr. Cheng of the Stock Exchange. "They may not own a majority, but they can control the manage-ment, which means taking effective control of the firm." the firm."

The second stage of regulatory change, which would permit 100 percent foreign ownership, is still "years away," according to Mr. Fang of the Securities Exchange Commission. American officials plan to raise the subject with Taipei during annual trade talks scheduled to begin April 26.

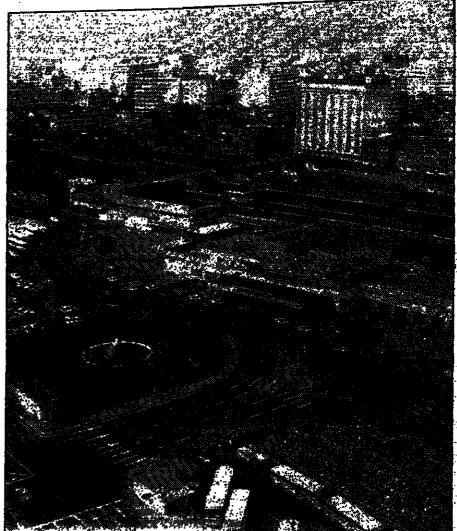
In other areas, foreign firms enjoy greater liberties. Shortly after foreign currency restrictions were removed last July, Taiwan began permitting nonlocal investment houses—formally called securities investment consultancy enterprises. enterprises — to provide Tarwanese citizens with investment advice on foreign securities

More recently, the enterprises received per-mission to advertise and sell non-Taiwanese unit trusts in Taiwan, although the actual remittance of funds must be executed by a local

Jardine Fleming was the first to offer these mutual funds to investors through local banks. Three of its unit trusts are available through Hua Nan Bank and the Farmers Bank of China. Another eight have been authorized for sale by the securities commission.

Several of Fidelity's unit trusts have also been approved, and the authorization of mutual funds managed by Vickers da Costa and ChinTung Securities are pending, Mr. Fang

Eventually, the securities enterprises are expected to get permission to manage private portfolios, though not mutual funds, the argument being that foreign fund managers would buy large chunks of Taiwan's blue chip stocks. which have become quite illiquid.



Taipei, whose stock market has become one of the world's most volatile.

In fact, most of the securities enterprises are already minority partners with Taiwanese firms in the management of four funds wholly invested in local equities. Launched last year, the funds' net asset values rose from 15 percent to 20 percent in the quarter ended Feb. 28.

As the liberalization process continues, foreign firms are likely to play a larger role in Taiwan's equity markets, and in the pattern of Taiwanese investment abroad; The change should result in a more open and sophisticated financial system to serve Taiwan's 19.6 million

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# **Shipper Thrives Onshore**

per, is slowly becoming a landlub-ber. Efforts at diversification are drawing the company into such nonmarine activities as hotel man-agement and steel manufacturing. Having got its feet wet with plans to build a 330-room hotel in central. Taiwan this year. Ever-

central Taiwan this year, Ever-green has purchased land in Hong Kong to build a second one, ac-Acting to being a second one, ac-cording to the company's presi-dent, Frank Hsu Juei-yea. "We would like to expand into service businesses like hotel and hospital management, and insurance," Mr.

That would be a far cry from Evergreen's beginnings in 1968 as a liner service with one secondhand vessel owned by the current group chairman, Chang Yung-fa. Registered in Panama, Evergreen was wholly owned by the Chang family until 1979.

Last year, the Taiwan company vent public with a 41 million share offer, the largest ever on the Taiwan market, and this year, it plans to offer 120 million new shares. The Panamanian-based company, Evergreen International Corp., remains privately owned by the Chang family and associates. Shipping and transport-related

industries have kept the group profitable since its beginnings, despite the varying fortunes of the marine industry. When questing the steel and alloys. Founded in 1987, it recently signed a technologynoned, Mr. Hsu brushes aside the persistent rumors that Evergreen stays afloat on government subsi-

"We don't look for one penny of subsidy." he said. "Every year for Taiwan, could supply up to half 20 years we have made money. We the country's special steel needs, do our market rersearch and we

iary that manufactures specialty steel and alloys. Founded in 1987, it recently signed a technology transfer contract with the Austrian company Bohler Gesellschaft. The Seperior Alloys plant, now under construction in southwest

estimated to grow to 80,000 tons.

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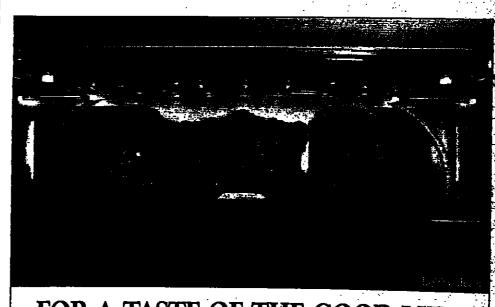
Last year, Evergreen more than doubled profits to \$71.4 million on revenue of about \$800 million.

The company's success owes something to the drive to diversify outside the marine industry. Evergreen Superior Alloys, for exam-

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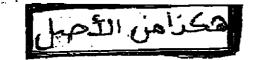
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# INTERNATIONAL MANAGER

# Often, Reference-Checking **Proves an Empty Exercise**

By SHERRY BUCHANAN

ONDON — Reference checking is a standard but frequently unreliable method of assessing a job candidate's performance, character and ability. The catch is that previous employers are reductant to give negative references in writing because they are afraid of being sued.

Bland corporate references may protect former employers but

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they don't always protect former employees from off-the-record villification or future employers from hiring a lemon or a crook. "Invasion of privacy laws make it very difficult to check out references," said Howard Bratches, a partner with Thorndike Deland, an executive search

firm in New York "Previous employers will never give a negative reference in writing," said Joëlle Freyre of Manorga SA, an executive

search firm in Paris. All the U.S. companies in a survey by Ward Howell Inter-

writing,' Clark said. national, an executive search firm in New York, said that when they hired somebody at the management level, they checked the references.

But a majority said they had trouble getting detailed information. Previous employers would only give them the candidate's title and dates of employment, according to 74 percent of the companies surveyed, or refused to give out any information without the written consent of the employee, according to 31 percent. Information on the candidate's salary was given to only to 28 percent, and candid comment, to only 14 percent.

"People tend to give bland references and avoid writing anything derogatory," said Michael Walters, of the Institute of Personnel Management in London. "Litigation is not as much an issue in the U.K. as is the embarrassment factor."

Even if managers tend to abide by the not-quite-golden rule, "Do unto others as they would do unto you," and abstain from harsh criticism, this doesn't always protect candidates as, ostensibly, it is supposed to, from unreliable comment. There is nothing to stop unscrupulous previous employers or colleagues from smearing you off the record.

"There is a lot of bad-mouthing going on but never in writing," said Edward Clark, a consultant with Heidrick & Struggles, an international executive search firm in London.

ECRUITERS can't trust praise either. A headhunter recently called an executive to get a reference for a candidate who had once worked for the executive. The executive gave the candidate rave reviews in hopes of getting rid of him: Unbeknownst to the headhunter, the candidate was now the executive's direct boss.

Recruiters say a simple but time-consuming technique to get at the facts is to check as many references as practicable. Too often recruiters may check references but are sloppy about it, only

checking a couple, stopping when one confirms their own impression of the candidate or failing to ask the right questions.

"The only way to get near the truth is to at least call three to six people," said Ms. Freyre. "Some people don't have very good memories, some want to be helpful and aren't critical enough. Others want to get even and blame anything that went wrong in their department on the condidate." their department on the candidate."

Other tricks of the trade are to check with people the candidate other tricks of the france are to check with people the candidate did not give as a reference, such as peers and subordinates, who can often give a close-up appraisal of a candidate's management style. According to the Ward Howell survey, 68 percent of companies checked references not suggested by the candidate. The rest only checked references provided by the candidate.

Almost everybody (92 percent) called the candidate's previous or current superior, but only 40 percent checked with peers and 21 percent contacted subordinates.

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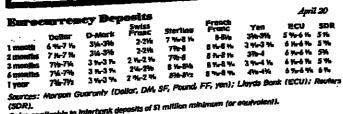
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## BCI Raises Bid, Seeks Lesser Stake

Compiled by Our Staff From Dupatches NEW YORK - Banca Commerciale Italiana raised its cash tender bid for Irving Bank Corp. from \$65 to \$75 a share on Wednesday but lowered its proposed stake in the company, the two banks said after amending their accord. Irving's proposed link with BCI,

of a restructuring plan aimed at thwarting a hostile takeover bid by Bank of New York Co. The revised bid calls for the Italian bank to pay \$75 a share for 8.5

Italy's second largest bank, is part

million shares, or 45 percent of Irving, in a transaction with an indicated value of \$638 million. The original offer, accepted

Monday, was for \$65 a share for about 51 percent, a deal valued at \$618 million. But Irving's plans to boost its annual dividend to \$4.50 a share from \$2.42 next month were left in doubt after the Federal Reserve ob-

jected to an increase to that level. To meet the Fed's objections, Irving said its annual dividend would be increased only in a way consistent with "regulatory policy and the carnings and financial and cap-

ital position" of the bank, In midday trading on the New York Stock Exchange, Irving's shares were up 12.5 cents to \$60.875 a share. Bank of New York rose 12.5 cents to \$31.50.

Bank of New York is offering \$15 in cash and 1.575 of its common shares for each of Irving's roughly 18.1 million common shares outstanding. It began its tender offer last month after receiving regulatory approval.

Bank of New York, which holds a 4.9 percent stake in Irving, is also running a slate of 16 nominees to Irving's board of directors.

Irving's chairman, Joseph A. Rice, said the amended BCI bid would give stockholders "substanthe Bank of New York Co." He urged stockholders to reject the Bank of New York bid at their annual meeting on Saturday.

A spokesman for Bank of New York, Owen Brady, assailed the BCI offer. "They're putting a lot of stuff up front," he said, adding that it was uncertain whether some of the benefits would ever be realized.

Irving's assets total \$24 billion. BCI, based in Milan, has assets of



James Sayers, center, general manager of AVX Corp.'s Northern Ireland plant, talking to workers.

# U.S. Companies and the Other Ulster Firms Praise Work Force and Government Incentives

By Steve Lohr

guerrilla insurgency and high un-employment, Northern Ireland scarcely seems a land of economic opportunity.

And the province's reputation as a place to avoid was underscored, once again, last month when two funeral processions led by the outlawed Irish Republican Army erupted in violence, with grisly murders making the front pages and evening news broadcasts worldwide.

financial assistance for plants, machinery, research facilities and training programs.

American companies in the province operate factories and fa-COLERAINE, Northern Ire-land — With its sectarian strife, cigarettes to computer software. They loom large in Northern Ireland's economy, employing 11,000 people, or 11 percent of the industrial work force.

To be sure, start-from-scratch investments by American companies have been rare in the past few years though a Texas-based producer of electronic sensor devices. Neotech, has just announced plans to build an \$8 million factory employing 200 people. But the companies here have not

Yet more than two dozen U.S. only stayed, but also invested more companies have generally found than \$60 million annually during another Northern Ireland altogether. They have found an ample pool operations. Why they remain in of skilled workers and a coopera- spite of Northern Ireland's political tive government, which offers one troubles and how they prosper of the most open-handed incentive commercially is perhaps most programs in the world, including graphically illustrated by the experience of AVX Corp. of Great Neck, New York.

The producer of specialized elec-

it can compete successfully against its Japanese competitors, even shipping to Pacific Rim nations, from its big Northern Ireland oper-ation based in Coleraine, the northerumost port in the province.

When the company first began production here in 1979, Marshall Butler, the AVX chairman, was so concerned that political troubles might disrupt operations that he insisted the components be shipped daily to a warehouse outside London. Five years ago, the warehouse in England was sold off. "We've lost more days from

snow at our plant in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, where it almost never snows, than we have lost from troubles in Northern Ireland," Mr. Butler explained in a telephone interview. Today, AVX is one of Northern

Ireland's leading overseas employ-ers with 1,210 workers. It has three

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# **Retail Prices** In U.S. Climbed 0.5% in March

troublesome report of accelerating U.S. inflation, the Labor Depart-ment said Wednesday that con-1987. sumer prices rose 0.5 percent in March after increasing 0.2 percent

in February. The increase, propelled by a recosts, was the biggest since January year. 1987. In the first three months of the year, inflation at the retail level optimistic. was 4.2 percent.

increase in gasoline costs, the first rise since August, and a 0.3 percent increase in food prices. The overall increase, which ex-

that prices at the wholesale level climbed 0.6 percent last month, the biggest gain in 11 months. The good news on inflation this

year is over with the upturn in energy and food costs," said Allen Sinai, chief economist of Boston Co.
"Oil prices stopped declining a little over a month ago and that means that the energy component will no longer be holding inflation

The acceleration in consumer prices in March fueled concern on Wall Street that the Federal Reserve, the U.S. central bank, would tighten its grip on credit to prevent even greater inflationary pressures. As a result, the interest rate on 30-year government bonds, a benchmark for other rates, rose to 9.08 percent in midmorning trading from 9.05 percent at Tuesday's finish, before closing at 9.02.

Fear of a more restrictive central bank policy had already boosted long-term interest rates on Monday and Tuesday above 9 percent, the highest level of the year.

WASHINGTON - In another prices for the 12 months ending in March rose 3.9 percent, less than the 4.4 percent increase for all of

The Reagan administration has maintained that market fears of a new bout of inflation are overblown, and is forecasting a 4.3 percord but seasonal rise in clothing cent rise for consumer prices this

But private forecasters are not as

"Things are beginning to stir," Aside from the 2 percent jump in said Lyle Gramley, chief economist apparel costs, retail prices were of the Mortgage Bankers Association. "I don't anticipate any inflation blowup, but I do expect an upward creep to an inflation rate of around 5 percent."

Analyzing the components of the ceeded expectations of a 0.4 per0.5 percent increase, economists cent rise, followed Friday's news noted that many clothes are made abroad. Thus the sharp rise may indicate that importers were finally being forced to raise prices because of the dollar's steep decline over the past three years.

Excluding the volatile components of food and energy, consumer prices rose an even stronger 0.6 percent in March as shelter, medical and entertainment costs continued to rise.

Housing costs increased 0.3 per-cent, the same as in February, while fuel and utility prices fell 0.2 per-cent after a 0.5 percent increase the previous month.

Grocery store prices rose 0.4 percent after falling 0.6 percent in February.

The March increase left the conmer price index at 116.5, meaning that a theoretical assortment of goods costing \$100 during a 1982-84 base period would have cost \$116\_50 last month. Unlike most other figures in the report, the index is not adjusted for seasonal

# tially more value than the offer by the Rank of New York Co." He Oct. 19: 6 Months Later, Pact Seems Near on Trading Halts

By David A. Vise

Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — Six months after the collapse of world stock prices on Black Monday, the heads of the major U.S. stock and futures markets appear to be moving toward agreement that all trading will be halted whenever the Dow Jones industrial average drops about 250 points in a single day.

That is the major initiative to emerge from the Italian state holding company.

Irving's restructuring plan includes the sale of some assets, including its Wall Street headquarters, the increased annual dividend and cost-cutting measures. A \$10-a-share dividend will be paid to

envisioned major regulatory overhaul to stance has divided leading members of the in favor of more free market solutions.

Leading Democrats on the banking com-

commission to study the issue, headed by stay open during market emergencies was a Gramm, the chairman of the Commodity investment banker Nicholas F. Brady, which key ingredient in investor confidence. His Futures Trading Commission.

The issue has divided leaders of the indusavoid future market collapses. From the day brokerage industry, two of whom expressed try into two major factions — those serving it was issued, the White House has sought to opposing views Tuesday in testimony before distance itself from the Brady prescriptions. the Senate Banking Committee. individual investors, who say trading halts are a good idea, and those serving large are a good idea, and those serving large institutional investors, who oppose halts, At The move for a market "circuit-breaker" is mittee, like their colleagues on the House the Senate hearings on Tuesday, Robert Rnjust such a solution. Under considerable Commerce Committee, are furning these bin, a partner in Goldman, Sachs & Co., and just such a sommon. Under considerable community such a sommon of the John W. Bachmann, chief executive officer the chairman of the New York Stock Exp. market reform process to the White House, of Edward D. Jones & Co., expressed those

pressed the financial markets to make volun-and cost-cutting measures. A \$10-a-share dividend will be paid to stockholders upon completion of the BCI deal. (AP, Reuters)

pressed the financial markets to make volun-tary changes rather than invite further gov-ernment regulation.

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# Springer Family Regains Hold on Press Empire

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By Ferdinand Protzman

International Herald Tribune
FRANKFURT — The bitter battle for control of Axel Springer verlag AG, West Germany's largest mass-circulation publisher, reached a surprising conclusion Wednesday when the brothers Franz and Frieder Burda sold their stake in the company to the heirs of Axel Springer.

The sale gives Mr. Springer's widow and two sons complete control of the late publisher's empire.

In selling their 25.9-percent interest in doing this was. But our interest is to see that the company of an and will be run successfully. A potentially unfriendly takeover has burdas to increase their holding. The Burdas to increase their holding. The Burdas whose family owns burda GrabH, another West German publishing group, first became initiated the negotiations. "It's like a love affair. It's hard to say who save the first kiss."

A spokesman for Mr. Kirch allied with the Springer hers to thwart an attempt by the Burdas to increase their holding. The Burdas whose family owns burda GrabH, another West German publishing group, first became involved with Springer verlag in 1985, when Mr. Springer verlag in 1985, when Mr. Springer attempted to turn over control of his company to the heirs of Axel Springer.

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In selling their 25.9-percent stake for about 530 million Deutsche marks (\$318 million), the Bur-

das gave Mr. Springer's widow, Friede, and his two sons a majority stake of just about 51 percent, according to Springer Verlag sources. Bild-Zeitung, with a daily circulation of about 5 million copies, is the flagship newspaper of the Springer group, which also publishes Die Welt, a powerful conserva-

tive daily, and Horzo, the nation's biggest television weekly. The sale ended an acrimonious which began shortly after Mr. Springer's death on Sept. 22, 1985. The Burda brothers said that they felt the sale of their stake fulfilled

the wishes of Mr. Springer.
It also abruptly terminated their short-lived alliance with Leo Kirch, a Munich-based film magnate who was seeking to gain control of Springer and turn it from a national mass-circulation publisher into

an international concern.
"The agreement with the Burda brothers was reached Tuesday," said Ernst Cramer, a member of Springer Verlag's supervisory board. "I cannot judge what their



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our would not comment on whether Mr. Kirch planned to challenge its legality in court. Mr. Kirch, who still holds 10 percent of Springer that Springer's shares, heads the Munichbased Beta-Taurus group, which has almost a monopoly on film distribution in West Germany, "to safeguard the future of his holdings." His heirs and executors received 26.1 percent of Switzerland and Austria as well as Switzerland and Austria, as well as vast financial resources,

by announcing that they had agreed to pool their Springer shares, giving them a larger stake than the late publisher's heirs.

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Switzerland and Austria, as well as Springer Verlag's shares. The Bur-ast financial resources. das got 25.9 percent and Mr. Kirch Mr. Kirch and the Burdas joined 10 percent. The remaining shares forces in late March, shocking the were held by Deutsche Bank on the West German media establishment condition that the Springer compa-

struggle over who will determine Kirch and the Burdas were on op- ly unknown, the media seized on

into a conflict of titanic personalities in the upper echelons of media

The company posted record carnings of 94.5 million DM in 1986 on sales of 2.66 billion DM. Mr. Kirch saw Springer Verlag as the cornerstone of a global mul-timedia concern capable of competing with the international media giants. Mrs. Springer and his sons wanted to remain largely a German publishing house.

All parties were in basic agreement about the success of the pub-lishing house, which Mr. Springer built from scratch after World War II. Springer papers are known for being conservative, ardently anti-communist, pro-NATO and pro-Israel. Bild-Zeitung, which translates as "picture-newspaper," is just that, with burid headlines, large photos - often of topiess women - and iruncated news coverage.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHARRHOLDERS

The Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of DEAN WITTER WORLD WIDE INVESTMENT TRUST S.A. will be held at its registered office at Luxembourg, 14, rue Aldringen, on 29th April, 1988 at 14,00 o'clock for the purpose of considering and voting upon the following matters: 1. To hear and accept:

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 a) the management report of the directors
 b) the report of the statutory auditor

 To approve the belance sheet and profit and loss account for the period top to 31st December, 1987.
 To approve the recommendation of the Board of Directors not to pay a dividend for the period under review.
 To discharge the directors and the auditor with respect of their performance of duties during the year ended 31st December, 1987.
 To elect the directors to serve until the next annual general meeting of shareholders.

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The starcholders are adviced that no quorum for the statutory general meeting is required and that decisions will be taken at the majority of the shares present or represented at the meeting.

In the reorganization of our Paris Office, we are pleased to announce the following appointments:

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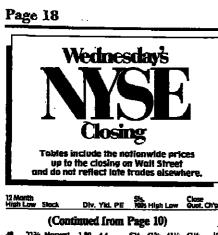
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MILAN — The Pirelli family has tightened its grip on the huge Italian-Swiss tire and cables group in a complex restructuring project that analysts say will make it virtually impregnable against takeovers.

Company officials said at a news conference Wednesday that the main aim of the plan was to simplify what has long been viewed as a confusing corporate structure and produce a consolidated balance sheet for the first time.

But the chairman, Leopoldo Pirelli, acknowledged that the plan also strengthened his family's hold on the group and would make it extremely difficult to carry out a hostile take-over.

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The numbers speak for themselves," he said
"That doesn't mean with the old structure I
didn't sleep well. But now there is a situation
that protects us from surprises."

Under the reorganization, Pirelli & Co. will
boost its current stake of around 20 percent in
the group's parent companies to between 35 and
40 percent through a series of share operations.

Mr. Pirelli said his family's stake in Pirelli &
Co., at 5.3 percent, is part of a shareholding
pact that controls 57 percent of the company.
Among his allies in the pact are the state merchant bank Mediobanca SpA and a company
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Commodities

Sotheby's Plans **Public Share Sale** 

NEW YORK — Sotheby's has filed documents with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission to proceed with a share sale to the public, a plan that was postponed after October's stock market callapse, the art suction house said. The offering probably will take place next month, a company spokeswoman said Tuesday. The shares will be sold internationally, with about 2.9 million to be offered. Air France's Net Doubles

Agence France-Presse

PARIS — Air France said
Wednesday that its consolidated net profit more than doubled last year to 1.22 billion francs (\$215.8 million) from 580 million francs in 1986. Consolidated revenue rose 6.5 percent to 32.8 billion francs,

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faced with suffern from Japan, AVX is world's leading master capacitors

Sandoz Plans

serve the "Swiss nature of the

company" and protect itself

Ulrich Oppikofer, a board member, said Sandoz would

propose at a shareholders meeting May 3 that no indi-

vidual or group be allowed to acquire more than 2 percent of

the company's voting rights.

allows the company to refuse to register new shareholders

without reason is unchanged.

Mr. Oppikofer said a 2 per-

cent stake represented about

21,000 registered shares with a current market value of

around 100 million Swiss

francs (\$72.7 million).

An existing provision that

from hostile takeovers.

# Peugeot's 1987 Profit Surged 86%

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches billion francs from 1980 to 1984. As recently as 19 PARIS — Peugeot SA, France's Sales in 1987 rose 12.6 percent, ranked fifth in sales.

Mr. Calvet has said PARIS - Peugeot SA, France's only private automaker, said Wednesday that its 1987 profit bared 86 percent from a year carlier, to 6.71 billion French francs mancial turnaround

DENVER - American Tele-

The communications company

WELLINGTON, New Zealand - Brierley

Investments Ltd., bruised by the October stock market collapse, is under more pressure than it

admits to sell underperforming assets and rede-

Brierley saw spectacular growth in the 1970s

and 1980s and at one time was New Zealand's

largest company. Lisa Higher, an analyst with

the stockbrokers O'Connor Grieve & Co., said

that the company's growth would now be stunt-ed by a reduced capital funding base and that its share performance would be below the mar-

"Management had forgotten a key element in

the BIL strategy: disposal of assets and rede-

soyment of funds to produce improved re-turns," Ms. Highet wrote in a report,

BIL's net profit for the six months to Decem-

ber plummeted to 75.05 million New Zealand dollars (\$49.5 million) from 135.33 million in

the comparable 1986 period. Its share portfolio was slashed by 1.5 billion dollars.

#\$8.35 billion from \$8.12 billion.

ploy funds abroad, analysts say.

cancer on Monday.

million a year before.

Reports 10.5% Profit Rise

to 118.17 billion francs.

The company's rebound has been credited to its chairman, the former banker Jacques Calvet, who and that Peugeot, which also makes (512 billion), a result that contook over in 1984. Last year, it cars under the Citroën name, will firmed the company's decisive fian sales with a 12 percent share, Pengeot earned 3.6 billion francs in 1986 and 543 million in 1985, year, and Volkswagen AG, which garnered 14.4 percent. and is setting its sights on overtak-AT&T Selects Chairman,

sanna Hardy, an analyst with James Capel & Co. in London, said By slashing the work force by 14 percent, to 160,600, and bringing the company's debt under tight control, Mr. Calvet has dramatical-

Mr. Caivet has said he aims to

push the company's market share

to more than 13 percent this year

"In order for Pengeot to overtake Volkswagen and Flat, it will have

to attack them in their home mar-

kets and that won't be easy," Su-

ly boosted productivity. About 1.68 million cars rolled off the Peugeot line last year compared with 1.47 million in 1986. Mr. Calvet, who had previously been president of the state-owned Banque Nationale de Paris, said

Wednesday that the car group would improve its margins this year with a lower break-even point of Much of the company's recent success stems from its subcompact 205 model. It is France's biggest selling car and accounts for almost

Many Swiss companies one-third of company sales. place restrictions on share reg-Now it is pinning its expansion hopes on the midsized 405 model. istry for new owners. Earlier this week, Ciba-Geigy AG, an-other of Switzerland's major Mr. Calvet expects this car to cappharmaceutical concerns, said ture 7 percent of the French marit was lowering its limit on ket. It was the first car to go from share registry to 2 percent from 5 percent.

# Rowntree, Skeptical, Agrees To Meeting With Suchard Stricter Limits

On Stockholders LONDON - ROWNERS PLC. the British confectionary group. Reuters said Wednesday that its chairman BASEL - Sandoz AG, the had agreed to meet with officials of big Swiss pharmaceuticals and Jacobs Suchard AG, the Swiss food chemicals concern, said giant that acquired a 14.9 percent Wednesday that it planned to stake in Rowntree last week. tighten restrictions on register-Rowntree said its chairman, ing new stockholders to pre-

> company would perform best if it remained completely independent.
> "If in the light of these comments you still wish to have a meeting, I would of course, be willing to see you." Mr. Dixon said. But he said that Rowntree saw no clear purpose in holding talks.

day saying that its directors felt the

After scooping up the shares last week at 630 pence (\$11.90) each in a market raid, Suchard said it wanted to enlarge its stake to 25 percent Rowntree said then that the holding was unwelcome, but its stock price has surged on speculation that a bidding war will develop for the candy maker.

Rowntree's stock was up 2 pence to 740 pence in morning trading on the London Stock Exchange amid sume heavy buying of the shares.

chard denied that the Swiss company was buying Rowntree shares.

The spokesman, Walter Anderau, said that Suchard stood by its goal of building a 25 percent stake, but that it had not and would not buy any more Rowntree stock as long as the price was so far above Kenneth Dixon, sent a letter Tuesthe 630 pence it paid last week.

He added that despite Rowntree's doubts, Suchard was still convinced that enlarging its stake would benefit both companies.

Analysts have said that Rowntree is attractive because of its strong brand names, such as Kit Kat bars and Fox's Mints, and its strength in countries such as Britain where Suchard is weak or is seeking to expand.

A meeting with Rowntree would not take place at least until after Suchard's annual general meeting on Tuesday, Mr. Anderau said.

Speculation that Nestlé SA, another Swiss food giant, or the U.S. confectioner Hershey Foods Corp. might emerge as friendly counter-bidders to Suchard is likely to unspeculation that Suchard would re-derpin Rowntree's stock for the time being, analysts said.

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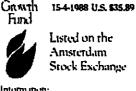
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phone & Telegraph Co. said Wednesday that the board had elected the company's president, Robert E. Allen, as chairman and and was considered a clear favorite chief executive officer to succeed to succeed the man who guided James E. Olson, who died from AT&T out of the confusion sur-

rounding the 1984 breakup of the AT&T also announced that its Bell System. profit rose 10.5 percent in the first quarter, to \$492 million from \$445

said that its first-quarter profit the legacy of his predecessor.

"I fully intend to continue leadequaled 46 cents a share, up 15 percent from 40 cents a share a year earlier. Sales rose 2.8 percent, to Mr. Allen said the company should be able to sustain the 15

share through the rest of 1988. "That's our firm commitment," he told shareholders. Mr. Allen, 53, had been acting chairman since Mr. Olson's death

The company said the board made its choice Tuesday night, although it named no successor for Mr. Allen as president. Mr. Allen promised to carry on

ing AT&T on the course Jim set out for us," Mr. Allen said. "The other officers and I concurred in the basic strategies Jim laid out in 1986 drawing board to production since should be able to sustain the 15 and they are no less worthy today be joined the company in 1982.

[Reuter, NYT]

Brierley Shifts From 'Squirrel Approach' to Asset Disposal "The only difference will be our more effi-Its stock price, 4.60 dollars before the market cient utilization of resources," he said. "In a collapse when adjusted for stock issues, is now 1.35 dollars. Brierley's growth over the years bull market you acquire more resources more had been funded by cash and bonus issues that easily; you don't have to look at rationalization

> Mr. Collins added, however, that Brierley's 51 percent-owned Australian subsidiary, industrial Equity Ltd., had drifted before the market collapse, exploiting "interesting situa-tions" rather than buy assets for their value.

> He disagreed that Brierley would be forced to look offshore for growth. He cited the New Zealand government's plan to sell 14 billion dollars in assets over the next three years.

Mr. Collins said his first goal in resurrecting Brierley would be to boost its share price by getting a greater spread of stockholders, espe-cially in Britain. More than 93 percent of its

190,000 stockholders live in New Zealand. He contended that Briefley had been unjustly rated down since October along with New Zealand and Australian entrepreneurs.

# IRELAND: U.S. Companies Praise Work Force, Government Subsidies

boosted the balance sheet and profits.

"Pre-crash, BIL realized it was getting to

saturation point in terms of its ability to raise

cash," said Denis Wood of Buttle Wilson & Co.

Ltd. The October downturn accelerated Brier-

ley's shift from a "squirrel approach" to one of

trading its asset base more rapidly, he said.

Brierley's relative size and New Zealand's

sluggish growth prospects will prompt the com-

pany to dispose of many assets and increasingly look abroad, he said. The change has begun with sales of aviation, energy, building and retailing interests for more than \$1 billion in

Paul Collins, Brierley's chief executive, dis-

agreed that the company faced slow growth

prospects. He said that Brierley was correct to

take advantage of its equity strength in a bull

market and that growth would come from with-in its 11 billion dollars of assets.

(Continued from first finance page) in a \$20 million investment pro-

Last year, the company decided to buy its facilities instead of cona long-term commitment. Mr. But-makes about 10 million multilayer investment in the province to make a new product next year.

mance of the Northern Ireland subdiary, it has become the hub of WX's European business, though the company also has facilities in without educated workers," he West Germany and France. In fact, said. cost-cutting machinery and prod-uct modifications developed in considerable. These include gov-Northern Ireland have been trans- ernment grants for capital spendferred to AVX facilities worldwide. ing of up to 50 percent of total

\$400 million this year. Though faced with stiffening competition from Japan, AVX is regarded as the world's leading maker of multilayer

Mr. Butler says he initially chose Northern Ireland because of its Because of the impressive perfor- combination of financial incentives and an educated work force. "You're not going to compete with Japan on quality and service

ceramic capacitors a year

The financial inducements are European sales account for costs, exemption from property about a quarter of AVX's overall taxes, tax write-offs for machinery venues, estimated at more than and construction costs, factory rent subsidies of up to 100 percent, and

financial assistance on loans. "We've got a real image problem worldwide," said John Dowdall, deputy chief executive of Northern noted.

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more multilayer ceramic capacitors high-technology business, AVX to buy its facilities instead of con-tinuing to rent them—evidence of In Northern Ireland alone, AVX for investments and training.

In Northern Ireland alone, AVX for investments and training.

"It's a partnership with the ernment," said James Sayers, general manager of the Coleraine operation. The assistance is specifically aimed at encouraging you to broaden your skills and technological base."

The government's cooperation goes beyond financial aid. For example, AVX conducts joint projects and training programs with the province's two universities, Queen's University and the University of Ulster. Recently, University of Ulster researchers did econometric modeling work on the optimum monthly production mix

"Those studies are basically coming to us for free," Mr. Sayers

Coleraine is a religiously mixed community, with about 70 percent Protestants and 30 percent Roman Catholics. Mr. Sayers reports that the composition of the work force is within one percent of the community mix. Religion, he insists, any sectarian flags or banners in its factories, unlike a few of the mainly Protestant factories in Belfast.

"If it's not a poster for the AVX golf society or a recognized charity, we don't let it up," Mr. Sayers explained. "Whatever religious or political differences people may have are left at the factory gate."

"The only religion we have in here," Mr. Sayers added, "is to make capacitors profitably."

"Northern Ireland does have problems, but they are not ones that will impinge on your busi-ness," said Mr. Dowdall of the development board. "Any investor willing to look beyond Northern Ireland's poor political image will find an attractive place to set up a

# **Company Results**

Revenue and prolits or losses, in millions, are in local currencles unless otherwise indicated.

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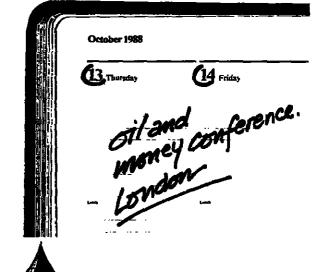
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"At the high end we still have

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the downside, have the threat of

TOKYO — The Japanese government's latest auction of 20-year bonds drew a lackluster

Aresponse from foreign banks and securities

firms, despite their earlier requests to play an active role in providing such long-term funds, bond managers said Wednesday.

The Finance Ministry on Tuesday offered around 516 billion yen (\$4 billion) in bonds.

But Shigeru Yoshimoto, senior vice president at Shearson Lehman Brothers Asia Inc., said bids

accepted from foreigners totaled only 10 billion

to 20 billion yen, or a maximum 4 percent. He

However, Japanese brokerages and banks

showed healthy demand for the bonds.

The lack of overseas interest comes after

demands from foreign firms for the introduc-

tion of competitive tenders for underwriting the

relatively new 20-year issues, and their current

campaign to introduce a full auction system for

the actively traded 10-year bonds that tradi-

said his firm alone won 10 billion.

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Dollar Up a Bit in Dull N.Y. Session NEW YORK - The dollar moved out of its narrow range to end slightly higher Wednesday in dull trading in New York.

The market was torn between a London Dollar Rates

low current levels, dealers said Earlier, the market shrugged off a Mr. Madison said that traders government report that U.S. conhad mixed feelings about the Consumer prices jumped 0.5 percent in sumer Price Index for March, which was within the market's ex-The dollar closed at 1.6670 Deutpectations but nevertheless sugsche marks, up from 1.6635 DM at gested that inflation was accelerat-Tuesday's close, and at 124.25 yea, unchanged. It climbed to 5.6615

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Dealers noted that the climb reported in U.S. retail prices also held out the prospect that the Fedcral Reserve might tighten credit policy to dampen inflationary pres-sures. Higher U.S. rates would enhance the dollar's appeal.

In Europe, the dollar closed mixed in directionless trading, marginally higher against the mark and slightly lower against the yen.
The dollar closed in London at 1.6625 DM, barely above 1.6623 gained against the pound, which slipped to \$1.8930 from \$1.8940.

The pound ended at 78.6 points on its trade-weighted index against a basket of currencies, unchanged. It closed at 3.1483 DM, virtually unchanged from 3.1480 DM.

Dealers noted that the British currency moved several times during the day above the key resistance level of 3.15 DM, though apparently without enough conviction to sustain a decisive surge. They de-tected no intervention by the Bank of England to hold sterling down. Some caution is dictated by the

scheduled release Thursday of Britain's money supply data for March. Data showing a surge in bank lending would have inflationary implications and might convince the markets that there is no chance of an early cut in British interest rates, a dealer said.

In earlier European trading, the dollar was fixed in Frankfurt at 1.6626 DM, down slightly from 1.6628 Tuesday, and in Paris at 5.6465 French france, down from 5.6525. It closed in Zurich at 1.3735 intervention, which as we saw last: DM at Tuesday's close, and at Swiss francs, down from 1.3760. week is very real."

DM at Tuesday's close, and at Swiss francs, down from 1.3760. (Reuters, UP)

# Canada Dollar Rises Sharply

OTTAWA - The Canadian dollar is rising sharply despite concerted action by the central bank to slow its ascent, traders said Wednesday.

The dollar, which closed Tuesday at 81.32 U.S. cents, topped 81.40 in early trading Wednesday before receding to 81.20 at the close. Traders said its recent climb was fueled by relatively high interest rates and optimism about the Canadian economy's health. The rally gained steam from the release Tuesday of data showing that Canada's trade surplus nearly doubled to 1.3 bil-

lion dollars in February. Market sources said the Bank of Canada made big purchases of U.S. dollars to stem the Canadian unit's advance, The Bank of Nova Scotia predicts the Canadian dollar will remain firm in the short run, in part because of tight control over the money supply.

# U.S. High Court Deals Blow to Municipal Bonds

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches pal or state bonds issued after June 30, 1983, to be registered before

they can be tax-exempt.
In a 7-1 vote, the justices adopted a special master's report settling a dispute between South Carolina and the Treasury over a provision in the 1982 deficit reduction law that was intended to discourage tax evasion in trading of the bonds.

The court, whose ruling is expected to have little impact on bond prices, said the statute did not violate state sovereign immunity. Backed by attorneys general from 25 states, South Carolina had challenged the law as an unconsti- mostly bearer bonds to finance

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Justice Sandra Day O'Connor. Dissenting opinion

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Currency Trends Boosted Asia's '4 Tigers'

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The law, which took effect July 1, 1983, was aimed in part at discouraging tax evasion when bonds change hands as gifts or are passed on to an heir. While the interest on government bonds is exempt from federal income tax, the bonds are taxed as gifts or as part of an estate.

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches cal governments by forcing them to actions involving bearer bonds. Congress mainly intended to crack WASHINGTON — The U.S. chose between two costly alternatively means bond owners can easiwere trying to make it easier for the authorities to catch criminals who

deal in stolen or forged securities. Writing for the high court, Associate Justice William J. Brennan Jr. said, "Owners of state bonds have no constitutional entitlement not to pay taxes on income they earn from state bonds, and states have no constitutional entitlement to is-

sue bonds paying lower interest rates than other issuers." Only Associate Justice Sandra Day O'Connor dissented.

The court today overrules a precedent that it has honored for nearly a hundred years and expresses a willingness to cancel the constitutional immunity that traditionally has shielded the interest paid on In approving the Tax Equity and state and local bonds from federal Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982, taxation, she wrote. (AP, UPI)

# Agence France-Presse

MANILA - Favorable currency trends boosted the economies of Hong Kong, South Korea, Taiwan and Singapore, which grew by an average 11.4 percent in 1987, the Asian Development Bank said Wednesday.

The four newly industrializing ation of the yen and major Europe-an currencies against the U.S. dolcountries, known as the "four tigers," also posted sharp increases in per capita gross national prod-uct, rivaling the developed countries, the bank said in its annual

Hong Kong posted 13.6 percent growth in gross domestic product, South Korea and Taiwan 11.2 percent, and Singapore 8.8 percent, it said. GDP measures the total value of a nation's goods and services excluding income from foreign investments.

This gave a weighted average of 11.4 percent based on 1986 GDP in U.S. dollars. While Singapore only achieved single-digit growth, this still was four times the 1986 level, the report said.

of more than \$7,000 — more than all considered U.S. allies, by ending that of several developed countries. duty-free concessions to them and Taiwan's per capita GNP made the effectively raising them to the biggest jump from \$3,750 in 1986 to \$5,000, while South Korea's rose ranks of developed nations.

Last year, the total value of exports from the four to the United The report said that the appreci-States was around \$10 billion and the duty exemption saved them an estimated \$500 million.

lar helped the countries improve Their trade surpluses with the the competitiveness of their exports United States last year were greater and amass sizeable trade surpluses. than Western Europe's. They ac-The bank cited the merchandise count for about 30 percent of U.S. ade surpluses of Taiwan and imports and have been the fastest trade surpluses of Taiwan and South Korea, which stood at \$19 billion and \$6 billion, Only Singagrowing segment of the U.S. trade pore had a trade deficit, at \$3.87

With their currencies pegged to the U.S. dollar, the four nations The bank said all four remained have been the prime beneficiaries net foreign investors despite a rise of the dollar's decline, increasing in foreign investment in the four their exports to the United States. This advantage has helped them become major suppliers of parts to wan, with \$79 billion in foreign

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## This Bond Issue May Just Be Your Number

International Hetald Tribune PARIS - Psst... Like playing the lottery but hate losing

your money?
Then consider buying the zero-coupon bonds of the Dutch cancer research institute managed by ABC/Kooij-man Capital Markets. On sale are 275 million guilders (\$147.4 million) of 10-year

bonds that carry no interest. Pay out 1,000 guilders today and get back 1,000 guilders in 10 years. In the meantime, there will be a monthly drawing, on the last Friday of every month for the next 10 years, and the lucky number will receive 1 million guilders.

The cancer institute itself will receive a total of 25 million guilders to be put on deposit. Annual interest is expected to cover the current shortfall in its research budget.

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Foreign Demand Is Slim for Japan's 20-Year Bond Sale Merrill Lynch Japan Inc., Citicorp Scrimgeour Vickers International Ltd. and Pruden-tial Bache Securities (Japan) Ltd. failed to bid at the auction, bond managers at the firms said.

"I think the rejuctance of foreign firms to bid this time was largely due to the lack of opportunity to bedge their cash bond inventories and not because of any apathy toward Japanese government bonds," said Mr. Yoshimoto of Shearson Lehman. Generally, hedging oppor-tunities in Japanese securities are limited to

But other reasons were also given. "We were a slow bidder at the auction yesterday largely due to the bearish market semiment at closing time," said Takashi Miyasaka, bond trading director at Jardine Fleming Securities Ltd.

Some bond managers at Japanese institutions said that the foreign firms had given up trying to bid aggressively for 20-year bonds in the face of fierce competition among local banks and securities companies.

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This is partly because Japanese banks with low levels of capital compared with asset risk are trying to improve these ratios by holding high-quality securities, they said. The auction drew bids totaling 1.42 trillion

yen, of which 516.7 billion was accepted at an average yield of 4.993 percent. To sell the full amount, however, the government had to accept bids as high as 5.014 percent. Foreign institutions took at least 40 billion

yen, or about 8 percent, of the last 20-year bond nuction on Feb. 18, at which the ministry offered 500 billion yen of bonds. This time, the four major Japanese securities houses and 13 city banks bought about 500 billion yen of the 516.7 billion total, bond man-

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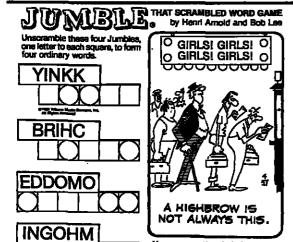
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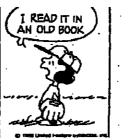


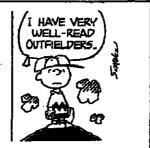


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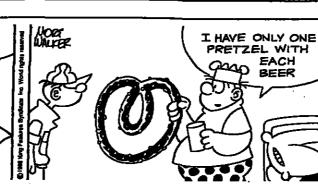
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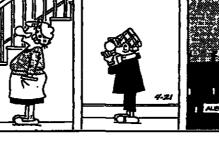






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# **BOOKS**

#### 1999: Victory Without War

By Richard M. Nixon. 336 pages. \$19.95. Simon & Schuster, 1230 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N. Y. 10020.

#### Reviewed by Christopher Lehmann-Haupt

THERE are few surprises in former President Richard M. Nixon's latest book, "1999: Victory Without War," which he describes in an author's note as "the product of a lifetime of study and on-the-job training in foreign policy," and which he apparently intends as a how-to guide for whoever is elected president this November.

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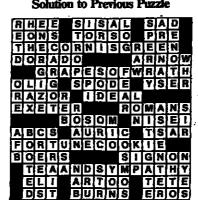
Detractors of Nixon will decry the book's obsession with potency and winning, with geopolitical giants who are variously "fragmented," "reluctant" and "awakened," as well as with a Manichaean view of a world that he sees as divided between the bad Soviet Union and the good United States. Admirers will applaud his vast knowledge of world affairs, his experience with international leaders and the way he combines hardheadedness with idealism.

But however one may regard Nixon, one has to appland the clarity, simplicity and anecdotal appeal of "1999," which follows "No More Vietnams" (1985), "Real Peace" (1984). "Leaders" (1982) and "The Real War" (1980) among the books he has published since his memoirs, "RN," appeared in 1978. There are even one or two faint hints of humor.

But Nixon makes the subject of geopolitics dramatic in "1999." Partly this is because he raises all the timely questions about the present state of the world, and then answers them both systematically and thoroughly. Partly it's be-cause of the coherence of his world view. Conflict is "intrinsic to mankind," he be-

lieves. "Real peace is a means of living with unending conflict." The Soviet Union is the ultimate enemy in that conflict, and it has grown more dangerous than ever with the ascendancy of Mikhail S. Gorbachev, who, though sincere in his desire for peace, is never-

#### Solution to Previous Puzzle



theless still dedicated to the triumph of com-

munism, Nixon insists. To thwart Gorbachev's aims, the United States needs a new "comprehensive policy that combines deterrence, competition, and negotiation." By such means it can defeat the Soviet Union peacefully by the end of the millenightmen, or, as he puts it in his subtitle, achieve mittent are."

"victory without war."

Every detail of his master plan follows from this grand scenario — from his advocacy of proceeding with the Strategic Defense Initiative, if only to limit marginally the potential damage of a Soviet first nuclear strike, to his call for a settlement of the Palestinian question, if only to "forge closer ties" with the countries in the region of the Gulf that will act as a buffer against a Soviet push to the south. as a buffer against a Soviet push to the south.

Of course there are faults here and there in Of course there are raints near and materin, the wholeness of Nixon's argument. Events in Afghanistan and Nicaragua have overtaken his text, although doubtless he would counsel reading the fine print of impending peace agreements in either area, on the theory that for Moscow and its clients (which he asserts both the Kabul government and the Sandinistic to be) "meace is a continuation of war by other to be), "peace is a continuation of war by other means."

He never unveils completely the logic by which he views the Soviet Union as the source of the world's evil while at the same time considering China one of the great hopes for the United States's future. Both are communist countries, he keeps reminding us, and commu-nism as an ideology is not only bad, but also "has lost its appeal." Yet the Soviet Union must be defeated, while "a productive Change American relationship ...: could move the world to unprecedented heights of peace and

He sounds disingenuous when he writes: "If He sounds disingenuous when he writes: "If
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hearts and minds. These people have tremendous problems. At least the communists talk
about problems. Too often we talk only about
communists." This seems an odd statement to make in a book mainly devoted to the trouble with communists. And when in his final chapter he attacks the

"new negativism" that he sees as becoming rampant in "the upper crust of America in terms of education, money, and power," and begins to stress all that is promising about this country, he not only loses the fact-dense terms of the local three country. sonableness that has characterized his book ag until this point, but he also begins to some hollow and cliched, like the soundtrack of a grade-school documentary film. ("We are lies: to make history—not to ignore the past, not to destroy the past, not to turn back to the past, but to move onward and upward in a way that opens up new vistas for the future.")

Christopher Lehmann-Haupt is on the staff of The New York Times.

# **BRIDGE**

#### By Alan Truscott

ONE if the world's great players made a rare ap-pearance in the New York metropolitan region recently and added to his large collec-tion of titles. The three-time world champion Bob Goldman of Dallas, won the Flight A Swiss Teams at the Long Island Regionals in Hemp stead, together with Ruth Stober of Great Neck, Long Island, Eileen Brenner of Livingston, New Jersey, and Michael Pickert of West Orange, New Jersey.

The diagramed deal helped linch the title for the winners. Goldman as South had a diffi-cult decision when his partner doubled one no-trump and East bid two spades.

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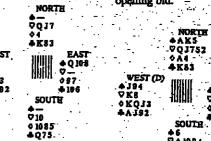
raised to game. The diamond king was led

and won with the ace in dummy. South played spades, ruffing the third round, and noted that East had played high-low He then played the ace and another heart, giving West the lead in this position: NORTH

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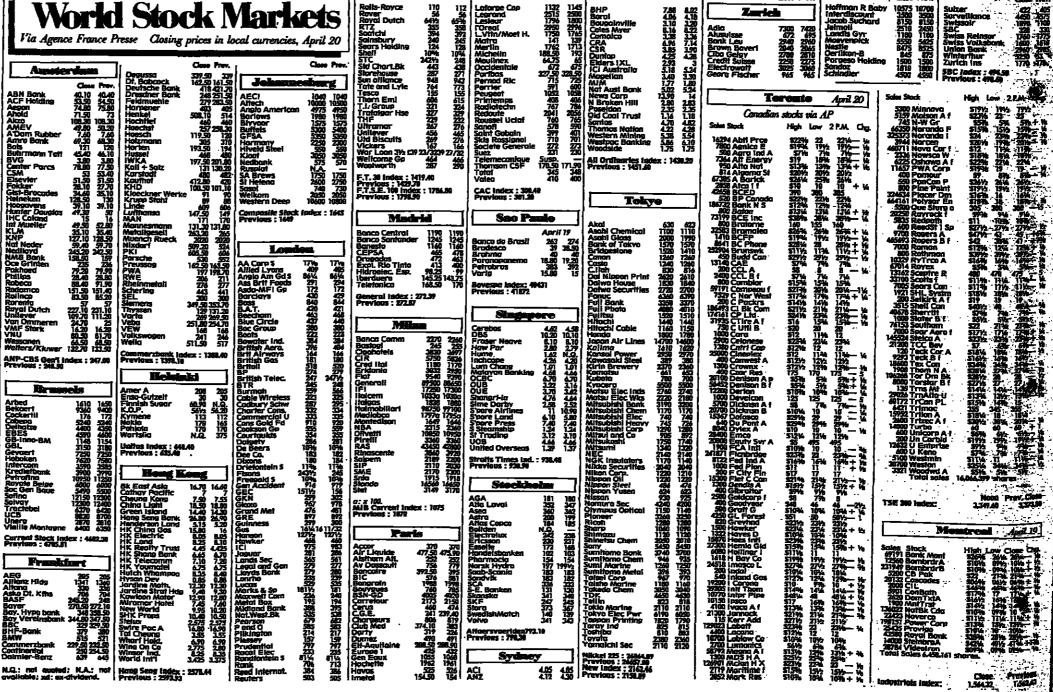
West did the best he could by cashing the diamond queen and leading the three. It would have been right to ruff in East had begun with J-7-6 rather than 9-7-6, but Goldman confidently discarded a club from

various doors open, and was replay, East was permitted to play in two spades, scoring 110. There was a good clue to the diamond situation. The spade queen was marked with East, by his signal and West's failure to lead the suit. Given that. West had to have the diamond jack to have the 15 highcard points promised by his opening bid.



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They did it by dropping their 13th straight game, 9-5, to the Milwaukee Brewers, before 7,414 on a chilly night at County Stadium. The 1904 Washington ment to apologize for the imated 60,000 survivors House of Representation use of its cost day night. Cilgrim Reques

The latest loss came with a touch of style — perfect for a fielder Jeff Stone attempted to team that once established the go from first to third on an instandard for style of a different

By Richard Justice

of Brooks and Frank, of Septem-

ngion Post Service

Baltimore started the game

son — three runs — and its big-gest lead of the season. In that MILWAUKEE - The team one rally, getting an run-scoring double from Eddie Murray and a her pennant races and October celebrations has hit rock bottom. two-run double from Rick Schu, the Orioles scored as many runs in one inning as they had in their The Baltimore Orioles, major previous 32 innings combined. league baseball's most successful

Orioles Stumble to 13th Loss

to the first the second se

franchise for the past 31 years, On a night when it too several continued their descent through darkness Tuesday night by tying ways to fail, Baltimore got several. Starting pitcher Mark Thur-mond lasted 1½ innings (the Brewers would go on to collect an 84-year-old major league record for losses at the beginning 14 hits), but he was only one of several culorits.

Before the Orioles were finished, they made four errors that led to four unearned runs. Rookie catcher Carl Nichols was Senators and 1920 Detroit Tigers charged with two passed balls also opened their seasons with 0-that led to another. Rookie out13 records. The Orioles were to fielder Wade Rowdon misplayed try to avoid gaining sole posses-sion of the record here Wednes-scoring double.

And with the Orioles trailing by three runs in the seventh, outgo from first to third on an in-field grounder; he was thrown

On hand were two of the greatwith its biggest inning of the sea- est names in Oriole history -

Frank Robinson, the other in the broadcast booth, former third baseman Brooks Robinson.

This has got to be the cpic event for this franchise," said Brooks Robinson. "When we won pennants or the World Series, we were doing what we were supposed to do. Who would have expected this? Maybe this is a payback. Other teams have gone through hard, but until now the Orioles never had."

Frank Robinson's record since taking over for Cal Ripken Sr. last week ran to 0-7. He spoke tersely and appeared to be fighting his emotions as reporters hered around in a steamy

"I'm not going to tell the players anything," he said. "I'm going to let 'em sleep on it. There were some positive things to come out of this. We got some offense going, but we missed signs and made too many missigns and mode too man, takes. But when we played to-night I wasn't worried about the other 12 games, and when we come out tomorrow I won't be thinking about tonight.



Toronto's Jesse Barfield, hitting a third-inning grand-slam homer.

Detroit goalie Greg Stefan, making a save Tuesday amid heavy traffic.

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# 6 Oilers' Defense Snuffs Flames

CALGARY, Alberta - The Edmonton Oilers used to depend almost solely on an explosive offense. But on Tuesday night it was discipline, defense and penalty killing that enabled them to subdue the Calgary Flames, 3-1, in Game 1 of a Campbell Conference semifinal series in the National Hockey League playoffs.

In the other semifinal opener, Detroit edged St. Louis. Both series will resume Thursday night.

"Defensive hockey isn't something we're accustomed to, but we have to play the Flames this way," said Craig MacTavish, who helped blunt eight Calgary power plays.

"Our penalty killing and discipline won it for us," said Wayne Gretzky, who scored on a breakaway about three minutes after linemate Jari Kurri netted the gamewinning goal in the 13th minute of the final period. "We worked on penalty killing all week. We had a lew breakdowns, but when we did,

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The Oilers limited Calgary to one power-play goal - on a first-

STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS period slapshot by Brad McCrim-

mon. That tied the game, 1-1, after a shot by Edmonton's Steve Smith had deflected off teammate Mark Messier's skate and past goalie Mike Vernon on a power play. But that was it for scoring with a

manpower edge; Calgary was 1-for-9 and the Oilers 1-for-5. The big goal, the 71st of Kurn's playoff career, came after Esa Tik-kanen picked off a Calgary pass near center ice and slipped the

puck to his linemate. The Alberta rivals continued where they left off two years ago in the Smythe Division final: In that series, the road team won five times, including the final three

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**NHL Playoffs** 

Red Wings 5, Bines 4: In Detroit, Shawn Burr scored twice, including the go-ahead goal at 6:09 of the third period, and Gerard Gallant tallied the winner at 7:46 to lift the Wings past St. Louis.

After the conservatively played contest - there were only 41 shots. 22 by Detroit - Gallant said, "I expect a lot of close games. It's going to be like tonight. They're very similar to us. They have two checking centers and two scoring centers. They play physical."

Mark Hunter, in his first playoff game after suffering a knee injury with four games left in the regular season, scored twice for St. Louis. "We've got to really push on Thurs-day," he said. "We've got to go for the split and then get back to St.

The Red Wings finished first in the Norris Division, 17 points ahead of second-place St. Louis, and had a 4-1-3 edge in the teams' regular-season series.

# Fisher's 7-Hitter Ices Cardinals As First-Place Pirates Stay Hot

St. Louis Cardinals couldn't handle Brian Fisher's heat. Fisher, a bot pitcher for one of the

National League's hottest teams, mixed a 95-mph (153-kph) fastball with off-speed stuff en route to a seven-hitter that beat Cardinals, 3-0, for Pittsburgh here Tuesday night.

The Pirates have won seven of Fisher (3-0) has been a major con- Boston past the Tigers. tributor. He has won 10 of his last 13 decisions, dating from last season, and his last seven in a row. A so-so in the first helped end a five-game reliever at this time last year, he has Indian victory streak. Winner Jose four games (Dennis Eckersley has

Unsuccessful as a reliever be-Fisher pitched out of plenty as St. Louis stranded 10 runners

"We're really hitting the ball, aren't we?" said Whitey Herzog, the Cardinal manager. "We had a shot at him, but we couldn't get any hits with anybody on base. We're 3-9, and all you've got to do is look at the totals - nobody has more than four RBIs or one home run."

The Pirates took a 2-0 lead in the first against Danny Cox on consecunive doubles by Barry Bonds and Jose Lind and Bobby Bonilla's single off the right arm of first baseman Bob Homer.

They made it 3-0 in the third when Cox walked Al Pedrique (a .071 batting average) and Fisher (hitless in six at-bats this year); Pedrique scored on a single by Bonds. It was Bonds's first RBI on anything other than a homer and ended his streak of 13 consecutive extra-base hits. He has five home runs and six RBIs this year, and is batting .365. Braves 5, Astros 4: In Houston,

Ted Simmons his three-run homer in the eighth and Bruce Setter posted his first victory in two years as Atlanta edged the Astros. Sutter, one of baseball's most dominant relief pitchers before suffering a serious shoulder injury three years ago, worked 11/2 innings to record his first triumph since May 1986. Reds 8, Giants 0: In Cincinnati, Nick Esasky drove in four runs on

a single and a home run to support Dennis Rasmussen's four-hitter. Phillies 10, Mets 2: In New York, Mike Schmidt snapped a 1-

night at Three Rivers Stadium, the phia past the Mets for the second Jim Clancy racked up a career-high

# BASEBALL ROUNDUP

ter and singled home a run during a seven-run eighth as the Expos breezed to a fourth straight victory. their last eight games and are in first
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Expos 9, Cubs 1: In Chicago, record set by Pete Vuckovich Dennis Martinez pitched a six-hit-against Baltimore on July 26, 1977. Yankees 7, Twins 6: in Minne-

apolis, Rickey Henderson, Bobby Meacham and Mike Pagliarulo drove in two runs apiece in a six-run second that started New York past the Twins.

White Sox 7, Mariners 2: In Seattle, Chicago used five home runs, two by Carlton Fisk. to win its fifth

Athletics 8, Angels 3: In Oakland. California, Dave Stewart, became the first pitcher in the majors to win committed three balks, running his 1988 total to eight - three short of

# **U.K.**, New Zealand Seek **Preliminary Cup Series**

LONDON - The Royal Burn-

ham Yacht Club will participate in an elimination series against New Zealand to challenge for the Amer-ica's Cup if the Sail America syndicate agrees.
"We shall be racing an elimina-

tion series in August against Mi-chael Fay's boat," David Redfern, a spokesman for Britain's Blue Arrow group, said Tuesday. "The winner of that race will face San

Diego for the cup."

But Becky Heyl, speaking for Sail America, the San Diego Yacht Chub's defense group, said: "I don't know at this point whether anything has been cast in stone."

She said that Sail America offi-

cials have been discussing the British syndicate's entry as a challenger since receiving a letter from Royal Burnham last weekend. Heyl said all interested parties to

a possible elimination series, in-cluding the San Diego club, would have to agree on race conditions for Fay's Mercury Bay Boating Club

apparently has already agreed to encouraged to do so "in the intermeet the British challenger. Heyl said Sail America's position would depend on "how the talks go. We are discussing it with the Blue Arrow Challenge.

The San Diego group was forced by a court order to agree to a head-to-head contest with Fay's boat off southern California later this year. Which had held it for 131 years.

The \$18.8 million Blue Arrow challenge is being partially funded by British financier Peter de Savary. De Savary was behind Britain's bid for the America's Cup in 1983, when his entry, Victory 83. was beaten in the semifinals by the eventual winner. Australia II.

Two weeks ago, a New York dge ruled that the British would be barred from taking part. State Supreme Court Justice Carmen B. Ciparick said San Diego and the Mercury Bay Boating Club of Auckland will sail one-on-one since they appeared unable to agree

on terms that would allow the British group to compete. Royal Burnham had asked the court to stop the race and remove San Diego as a trustee of the cup unless the British yacht was allowed to compete in an elimination

series. It also asked for adequate time to prepare. Ciparick said nothing prevented San Diego and New Zealand, however, from agreeing, up to race time, on terms that permit a multinational regatta, and said they were

ests of sportsmanship and for the good of the America's Cup." San Diego's Stars & Stripes, skip pered by Dennis Conner, won the cup from the Royal Perth Yacht Club in Australia in February 1987.

# **SIDELINES**

## IAAF Bans Green, Morales for 2 Years

LONDON (AP) — U.S. hammer thrower Bill Green, who tested positive for an excessive level of testosterone at last year's Pan American Games, and Puerto Rican sprinter Luis Morales on Tuesday were banned from international competition for two years by International Amateur

The IAAF said Green will be permitted to contest the ban before an arbitration panel. Morales, who competed at the University of Southern California and was a member of the 1984 Puerto Rican Olympic team, tested positive for drugs at a meet in Portland, Oregon, on Jan. 23.

The IAAF also said that three former pro football players had been

reinstated as track and field athletes and are immediately eligible for international competition. Among them is sprinter Rou Brown, a member of the U.S.  $4 \times 100$ -meter relay team that set a world record at the 1984 Olympics; Brown, a wide receiver with the Los Angeles Rams, announced his retirement from football Tuesday. The others are Henry Andrade and

# **UEFA Reduces Koeman's Suspension**

ZURICH (AP) — Ronald Koeman, sweeper for Dutch soccer champion PSV Eindhoven, had his suspension from European competition reduced to

one game from three by the UEFA appeals jury on Wednesday.

The ruling confirmed Koeman's being sidelined for Wednesday night's Eindhoven-Real Madrid second-leg semifinal Champions' Cup match. Koeman had been banned for saying publicly that teammate Hans Gillhaus's foul on Frenchman Jean Tigana in a March 2 quarterfinal game had been useful and premeditated.

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# On the Flight Line

WASHINGTON — Soloway they're also mad because you won't refuel your planes." he wanted to take out a full-page

Soloway's airline, A Wing and a bonds or buy new tires." Prayer, had lost my luggage a month before and still hadn't

Soloway was almost in tears. "Don't talk to me about lost lug-

gage now. The Department of Transportation is investigating us and they say Wing and a Prayer is the most unsafe airline in the busi-

"Is it true?" "Well, our Buchwald food isn't very good. But any well-traveled person knows it isn't safe to eat airline

"People who fly do like safe food," I commented. "You should have thought about that when you founded Wing and a Prayer."

"I didn't found Wing and a Prayer. I merged it with Shake & Roll, a roller coaster ride I owned at the Seven Flags Amusement Park. Roller coasters and planes are practically the same business. Now the DOT is out to get us because we keep canceling flights."

#### Record \$9.13 Million Paid for Big Diamond

The Associated Press NEW YORK - A 85.91-carat, pear-shaped diamond was sold for \$9.13 million at Sotheby's, setting a world record for any gem sold at auction. Neither the buyer nor the seller were identified. The auction brought a total of \$36 million, setning another record: for a jewelry

sale in the United States. The sale of the diamond was part of an auction that included gems the late chairman of Time Inc., and former U.S. ambassador to Italy. Luce's jewelry sold for \$2.16 million. In addition, furniture and decorations belonging to her were sold for nearly \$600,000.

"I'm just trying to save some advertisement in the paper declarmoney. Do you know in order to ing his airline is the safest in the buy the company I had to sell junk bonds? Now I'm in a bind. I either I was reluctant to help him, as have to pay the interest on the junk

> "The word on the tarmac is that you can't afford to buy new air-

> "No one can buy new airplanes. Our craft are good for another 10

years. Ask the pilots."
"The pilots say you're the worst manager in the airline business." "That's because they're the worst

pilots."
"If they're the worst pilots, why are they flying your planes?"
"I'm not going to buy uniforms for an entire new crew. How much do you think I owe on Wing and a

Prayer?"
"A billion?" I guessed. "You're not far off. Do you believe I can pay it off by sending

half-empty planes to Toledo?"
"Probably not. But you could worry a little about people's lug-I plan to as soon as the FAA gives me permission to fly with one

That's your game plan?"
You don't need four engines on a 747. Our aviation experts have assured me three will do the job

every time."
"I'm not certain you're going to That's just part of it. I think get that one through the govern-

"That's why I wish to buy an ad. I want to take my case to the pub-

"Is it true you're doubling your price on airline tickets this spring? "We had to do it to pay for all the free rides we gave people for flying with us this winter. We gave away so many bonus miles that we haven't booked one paying passenger for the next six months. 'Maybe that's why you don't

have any money for baggage han-

"Look, I welcome this investiga tion. It will bring out the facts once belonging to the late Clare Boothe. and for all on how O'Hare Airport Luce, the wife of Henry R. Luce, is sticking it to the little guy. This country is going to be a sorry place when the government starts to tell us what food to serve on an airplane and permits passengers to make a big deal about spending two or three hours on the runway.

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# 'Dancing' With African 'Airport Art'

By James Brooke

ORHOGO, Ivory Coast -Shaded from the hot sun, Soro Zana works rapidly, slicing and chopping a block of wood. Under the blows of his adze, an African mask quickly takes shape. Zana, a member of the Senufo tribe, is carving a mask in the style of his rivals, the Baule. He says he does not care — the mask, priced around \$30, is destined for the tourist markets of Abidjan, 350 miles south of the Ivory Coast carving center of Korhogo.

States and Europe dismiss such handiwork as Zana's as "airport art." But African vendors are responding to this sort of criticism with a sophistication of their own: their masks make strange detours on the long road to Abidjan, spending a few nights in termite hills, then being kicked around and damaged to acquire a "distressed" look

In order to achieve an authentic-looking, multilayered patina, the masks may be smoked over cooking fires, stained with soot and water or rubbed with shoe polish. To show "wear," parts of the interiors are sanded smooth and "sweat marks" are rubbed in. Unlike masks that have not un-

dergone the "aging" process, one that has will carry a price tag commensurate with its supposed rarity — \$300. "Very old," the vendor in Abidjan assures prospective buyers, reverentially holding up the three-month-old carving. For a more sophisticated buyer, who might equate authen-tic with used, the dealer will murmur knowingly. "This mask has been danced.

The tourist returns home to New York or Paris. The artifact wins a privileged place on a liv-ing-room wall, there to bask in the admiring regards of the local tribespeople. If the deceiver and the deceived part satisfied, who

"Fake art is the biggest obstacle to collecting," said Susan Vogel, executive director of the Center for African Art in New York. There are certain categories that people won't buy because there environment of the markets in the are so many fakes. Baule gold, for Ivory Coast, Cameroon, Zaire example — people won't touch



Carver in Korhogo working on a statue which will probably be "aged" for sale to a tourist.

of a show scheduled to open at the center on May 12 — "The Art of Collecting African Art." The show will feature exhibition cases containing real and fake examples of the same thing, such as a Baule bird. After studying the display, visitors can cross the room to discover which is which.

For years, African art specialists have wrestled with defining fake and authentic. "Authentic has been defined as 'made by a traditional African carver for a traditional use," said Christopher B. Steiner, a Fulbright researcher who is studying the Ivory Coast's art market. "Faking implies intention to deceive."

Beyond the definitions is a market driven by the buyer's desire for an authentic cultural artifact. Today, fakery flourishes in the laissez-faire, caveat-emptor and Nigeria, the major art suppliit."

ers. In Africa, faking art is virtually an unprosecuted crime. Few and real African art is the theme

tales of fellow Africans who trick tourists into paying hundreds of dollars for a fake. Outrage is stirred only by reports that foreigners are smoggling Africa's cultural heritage to Europe and the United States.

Like Zana, a Senufo who carves Baule masks, the African art market has become highly sensitive to supply-and-demand signals. At the end of a long chain of ex-change are Moslem Hansa traders. By virtue of their religion, they are able to move smoothly among West Africa's animist tribal groups. Pedaling bicycles loaded with items for trade — usually machetes and enameled cooking pots — they mine their territories with as much diligence as New York antiques dealers prowling New England villages in station

Some traders persuade villagers to part with their old masks by uring them that replacement will be made in Korhogo. "In some cultures — the Senufo, the Baule and the Guro - age is not a

factor for the value of the mask." said Steiner.

The Hausa trader keeps a close eye on changing tastes in the met-ropolitan marketplaces. Last fall, "Potomo Waka," a glossy \$85 book on Baule wooden slingshots, started appearing on coffee tables in Abidjan and New York. "All of sudden I see Hausas coming in with 20 to 30 slingshots," Steiner said. "A year ago they wouldn't have bothered."

Demand has soared recently for old Venetian trade beads and Akan brass weights, as well as for "colons" — wooden statues of Africans in European dress or bearing the accoutrements of colonialism — top hats, kepis, rifles, salari shirts or tobacco pipes. Tourists find them charming be-cause they believe they reflect the African's conception of the Euro-

The modern African carver, who grew up watching Eddie Murphy movies on television, is a canny judge of Europeans. Tour- don't," he added, brightening.

that the natives cherish warm, misty memories of the bygone colonial exa.

book, "Statues Colons, Werewere Liking, an Abidjan gal-lery owner, interviews Lanfia Diane, a carver from Bouake, Ivo-

IV Coast "It's the statue à la mode," the carver said of his colons. In an African twist to the American trade in T-shirts printed with a tourist's portrait, African carvers will now carve colons of visiting

In Korhogo, the tourist trade has brought a new affluence to the traditional Kulebele carvers, a subgroup of the Semifo. In the Koko neighborhood, motorbikes abound and cement block has re-placed mud brick.

Dolores Richter, an American

anthropologist who studied the group in the 1970s, wrote in her book "Arts, Economics and Change": "Because carvers are now devoted to carving full time rather than executing only an occasional poro or prestige object, techniques have improved and carvers are more expert with their tools than in the past." ("Poros" are secret societies that wield

great power in traditional Ivoir-ian villages.)

Fighting sophistication with sophistication, Americans are becoming wanter buyers, Vogel beheves. "There is no quick test to tell a fake," she said. "The best way is to look at loads and loads of objects. The well-trained eye is the best test."

One recent evening visitors were shown around the dusty compound of Korhogo's biggest art dealer, Hadi Arabiou. After they inspected a large room where the walls were covered floor to ceiling with replica art, they were ushered with great ceremony into a musty chamber illuminated by a single bar of fluorescent light. It was the "old" room. After a cutsory inspection of the jumbled collection of staffs, stools, drums flutes, helmet masks, masks and brass weights, Steiner concluded that at least half of the "old" pieces were made in the 1980s.

"Americans know the old because they usually come with guides," aighed a Hausa trader. "But the French and Germans

ists, he calculates, are convinced

In her recent French-language

Robert F. Kennedy's family has asked the Los Angeles district attomer's office for the clothes the senator was wearing that Junes night in 1968 when he was assassinated. Historians and others are opposing the request, arguing that the clothing should remain in the hands of the government for future

PEOPLE

Ivana Trump Honored

By Mother's Day Group Her husband's biography is a

best seller and they've both got

multiple millions in the bank, but

Yvana Trump apparently hasn't left; motherhood behind in life's fast

lane. Trump was among seven women honored in New York by

the National Mother's Day Com-

mittee for "contributions to the

role of contemporary mother-hood." Trump, who helps her hus-band, Donald, run a real estate en-pire, said they repeatedly

emphasize to their three children,
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Don't cheat and steal and lie."

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A sculpture honoring Judith A. Result, one of the seven astronauts killed on the shuttle Challenger, was dedicated at Carnegie Mellon University, her alma mater in Pitts-burgh, Pennsylvania.

In an autobiography released this week, Michael Jackson has denied having had extensive plastic surgery on his face. "I have had my nose altered twice and I recently added a cleft to my chin - but that's it." Jackson says in "Moonwalk," a glossy new autobiography edited by Jacqueline Kennedy

Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles is living up to its name "hospital to the stars." It's treating the rocker Eddle Van Halen, the the rocker Eddie Van Halen, the actor James Garner, the comic Sid Caesar and the comedian Morey Amsterdam. Garner is undergoing tests prior to surgery to repair an ancurysm; Caesar is recovering from hernia surgery, Amsterdam had blood clots removed from each leg and Van Halen is recovering from a tropical virus he picked up

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